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CHAPTER XI.

MISS ROXANNA MAKES UP HER MIND.

"Lead thee, Nick Thorne."

With [illegible] Thorne's [illegible] Nick [illegible] his father's house [illegible] the driving rain, and when the rain ceased at dawn he had [illegible] that sorry little unpainted house [illegible] of the [illegible] edge of [illegible] flecked with foam [illegible] storm.

[illegible] in the blooming [illegible] that grew near one of the windows [illegible] it was Dosa's window [illegible]

[illegible]

Now, Miss Roxanna White had never approved of the admiration Nicholas evinced for Dosa. She was decidedly of the opinion that it would never do to [illegible] young sprigs of quality hanging around a girl whose mother was dead and whose father was away. She would have liked to sweep Col. Thorne's son off the porch, with the two or three leaves she swept upon the floor; but as she could not do this she towered in the doorway, and held her broom crosswise as she exclaimed forbiddingly: "Land alive, Nick Thorne! What brung you here this time o' day, befo' even the cows is milked?" And to herself she thought: "I've writ that aunt o' his'n a warnin' was ain't she fitten to keep him home?"

Nicholas laughed; the fun of the situation was irresistible; it made him, for the moment, oblivious of its tragic aspect. "I've come for my wife," he said, and turned suddenly sober and scarlet with the humiliating reflection that he was craving shelter, not offering it.

"Land o' Goshen!" exclaimed Miss White irately. "Why ain't ye mo' respect fur yo' betters in age and wisdom, boy? I'm s'prised at ye, an' I dunno why I should be, neither. I don' want no nonsense here. Git out!"

"I tell you Dosa is my wife," said Nicholas gravely. "We were married by old Mr. Drummond, in her mother's presence two days before Mrs. Furnival died."

Miss White's sallow face underwent a variety of contortions; she nearly swallowed the little bit of althea stick with which she had been taking her morning "dip," and which she habitually carried in her mouth; the broom clattered from her grasp, as her hands hung down, helplessly. She understood now why she had been sent to visit a relation [illegible] miles distant, just two days before Mrs. Furnival died. "Wha—what?" she gasped. Then under strong conviction, she lifted her right arm straight—it nearly touched the lintel—and said, with strong emphasis: "I'll bet my ultimate fortune the colonel ain't consentin'."

"Never you mind the colonel," said Nicholas shortly. "I must see Dosa."

Dosa had heard his voice; she came out into the little entry that divided the rooms, and stood there pale and trembling.

"Dosa, Dosa!" cried Nicholas wildly as he pushed past the demoralized spinster, and the next instant she was in his arms.

"Dosa," said Miss White, hoarsely, "you're a consistent member of the Methodis' church an' so fur fo'th ez I know you ain't had nare a fall from grace; ef you say hit's true that ye air married ez he tells—'cepting Cousin Mandy's [illegible] to death—I'll believe it."

"It is true," said Dosa with smiles and tears and blushes.

Miss White picked up her broom and went to sweeping off the porch. She made two comments mentally, one in reference to Dosa's mother, the other to Dosa's father. "She must a turned plum fool befo' she died; and he's got 'em to tote, I see."

Nicholas and Dosa sat down on the long wooden bench that constituted the only furnishing of the little passage. Miss White, glancing over her shoulder, saw them there, and she immediately slammed the front door.

"You've been in the rain," said Dosa, accustomed all her life to consider others. "How wet your clothes are! You must have ridden all night."

"I did," Nicholas answered with a dark frown; then with a burst of bitter laughter: "Have you any clothes, Dosa? I don't know that I have any unless I've left a few scattering about Sunrise plantation that I may lay claim to."

"Your father has—" Dosa faltered.

"My father has—" responded Nicholas, concluding with a wave of his hand that words would not express the sentence passed upon him.

Dosa sat silent and stunned, clinging to his arm; for herself it did not matter, but for Nicholas—it seemed at the moment more than she could bear.

"My worldly fortune," said Nicholas with [illegible] bitterness, "consists in my horse and my watch. I will sell these, Dosa, and defy the world."

"I have done you a great wrong," she whispered.

"You have done yourself a great wrong, [illegible] dear heart," said Nicholas. "[illegible] we have each other. Oh Dosa, Dosa, my wife! If they only [illegible] saint! There is [illegible]

[illegible] Dosa, Dosa, look at [illegible] say you [illegible]"

And Dosa looked at him. She did not speak, but she smiled through her tears, and then she drew away from him and rose.

"You are going to pray over the situation, Dosa, [illegible] beautiful saint," cried Nicholas with a smile of reverent admiration.

"I am going to find you some of my father's clothes," said Dosa.

"Good wife! You are better than any [illegible]," Nicholas declared, and he laughed. He was very happy in spite of the situation.

Miss White had finished sweeping and left the porch. She had no grace of manner, but she was by no means devoid of grace of heart. That this marriage was a wretched business, a miserable blunder, was an opinion fire would not melt out of her; nevertheless she had no thought of refusing Job Furnival, when the time should come, and she was entirely willing to spend herself in helping to take care of the foolish young couple. She had slammed the door not in wrath, but solely by way of giving them to understand that she meant to leave them untrammeled enjoyment of their Fool's Paradise, and she now considerately avoided returning to the house to put away her broom, but went round to the kitchen to get Nicholas a cup of coffee.

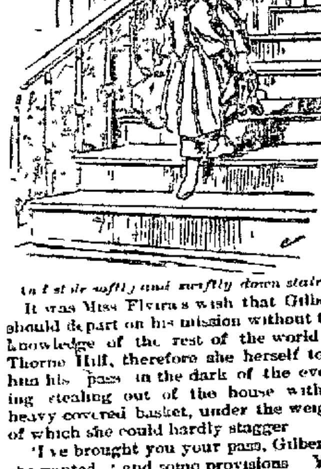
"He's next do' to a fool, I deem," grumbled she, "but that ain't no reason why he should perish unt' my hands; an' if he don't git somethin' hot inside him after that ride all night in the rain he'll be laid up agin with that stole in his lung. If taint hasling feastwise, 'twas mighty close. Hit would be a mercy o' the Lawd an' a judgement, if he was to drop off sudden, an' spite the colonel to conversion; but taint none o' my business to hurry his end by goin' beguest my light to neglect him."

So Miss White made Nicholas drink the coffee scalding hot, and then she departed to spread the news, that being the sole satisfaction she could derive from the event.

Two hours later she returned in better heart. "Dosa," she said cheerfully, "I'm a-goin' to stir up a poun' cake. It don't seem proper, nur cordin' to nature not to have somethin' to give a feature to matrimony."

CHAPTER XII.

COMPLIMENTS PASS.



And stole softly and swiftly down stairs.

It was Miss Elvira's wish that Gilbert should depart on his mission without the knowledge of the rest of the world at Thorne Hill, therefore she herself took him his "pass" in the dark of the evening, stealing out of the house with a heavy covered basket, under the weight of which she could hardly stagger.

"I've brought you your pass, Gilbert," she panted, "and some provisions. You are to return to-morrow and bring word, you know. Be sure you put some provender in the cart for the ox." That one of the Thorne Hill oxen should be fed from the Furnival corn crib was ignominy not to be endured.

"I gwan do dat!" old Gilbert assured her. He held the same views that Miss Elvira held in regard to the feeding of the Thorne Hill oxen, and furthermore, he thought, "Is I gwan resk old Brandy on mouldy nubbins?"

"And Gilbert!" said Miss Elvira, coming back after she had started away, as if what she had to say was an afterthought and not a deliberately premeditated design, "if Nicholas should take a fancy to—anything in the basket, you needn't bring back the jars."

"Yes, ma'am," said old Gilbert, with stolid gravity, but he doubled over with a smothered chuckle when Miss Elvira was gone. "Is she clean plum furgot Mawse Nick is a bawn Thorne? He ain't gwan tetch dat basket, but I gwan haul it jes de same."

Now Missy, hidden in the clump of Palma Christi that ornamented the front of old Gilbert's garden, had heard the whole of the conference between these two. When it was concluded she crept out and hurried to the house, over the garden fence, fired with the wild resolve to run away with old Gilbert and join her brother. She made up a small bundle of her clothing and hid it under the wardrobe, and when she went down to tea she secreted a biscuit by way of provision for her breakfast. Her next idea was to lie awake all night in order to rise with the dawn on the morrow, to which end she insisted upon hearing Glory-Ann's whole repertoire of zoological legends, but in spite of this Missy slept the sleep of a tired child. When she awoke the glimmer of the dawn was in the east and Glory Ann was snoring on her pallet.

Missy sprang up. She had to dress herself, which she never yet had done. It was an arduous undertaking, but at last it was accomplished. Her shoes and stockings she took in her hands with her little bundle, and stole softly and swiftly down stairs. As she could not unlock the hall door she climbed out of one of the dining room windows, and ran down the lane to old Gilbert's cabin. Alack! it was shut fast and the ox cart was not under the shed.

When Missy comprehended that old Gilbert was gone she threw herself on the ground with a scream of rage and disappointment, but presently she reflected that if this attempt at flight should be discovered every possible means would be taken to prevent her putting her intention into execution on the future occasion that might offer, perhaps even shutting her up and feeding her on bread and water like a little girl in a story she had read, and however [illegible] Missy might be as to living [illegible] on bread and water, so she made haste back to the house, and was lucky to get in unseen.

Glory Ann was still snoring, and Missy stuffed her bundle under the wardrobe again, threw off her clothes and curled herself up in bed.

It was a mystery Mam' Dee was never able to explain how Missy's clothes came to be scattered all over the room, but she [illegible] her suspicions when a few hours [illegible] instinctively shunned each other. Flora forsook the piano and Missy sulked in corners, but the colonel held his head higher than ever, hiding his mortification under a cloak of pride and silence that forbade sympathy.

No one named Nicholas, even Missy, though her heart clamored for her brother, found her tongue refuse its office in presence of her stern father. The child understood intuitively something of the fierce tumult that raged in the colonel's breast. A great awe, not of her father but of what he suffered, took possession of her and compelled her to silence, but her sole object in life now was to follow her brother. To Missy this seemed an easy undertaking if she could only get away from Thorne Hill, but she was afraid to venture alone any farther than the big gate at the end of the avenue. Here she sat gazing wistfully through the bars, and hating herself for cowardice on the morning of the day that old Gilbert was returning from his bootless errand. Here had she been ever since breakfast, and it was now nearly eleven o'clock, but she had not yet made up her mind to venture outside, when she espied a carriage coming along the road. This sight created a sudden diversion in Missy's bitter thoughts.

"It's Cousin Myrtilla!" she exclaimed aloud. "She's brought Lottie and Bess."

A vision of wild frolic down by the spring floated in Missy's brain as up she jumped to open the gate; but when the carriage passed through only Cousin Myrtilla looked from the window.

"You didn't bring Lottie and Bess!" cried Missy in deep reproach.

"Well, no, I didn't," said Mrs. Herry. "Came off in such a sweat. Never mind, bring 'em next time. Open the door, Larkin," she commanded the driver, "and let me take the child in."

Missy made no objection. She was fond of her Cousin Myrtilla, and she admired that lady's showy dress. Such beautiful pink hyacinths within the bonnet brim that framed the faded old face, such lovely yellow roses outside, such a bewildering lilac organdie, with its tumultuous puffs and frills, and those purple shoes! How Missy wished for a pair just like them! But these pomps and vanities soon palled, and Missy's thoughts reverted to her trouble. "Brer Nicholas is gone away!" she said abruptly. "He's married to Dosa Furnival, and he can't never come home no mo'." And Missy began to cry.

This was no news to Mrs. Herry; she had learned all about it. "Tut! tut!" she said. "Who says he'll never come home again? Don't cry, I am going to see what can be done about it."

This consoled Missy, and by the time the carriage arrived at the house she was quite cheerful again. "Cousin Myrtilla is come! Cousin Myrtilla is here!" she announced joyfully, rushing into her aunt's presence, and Miss Elvira, in the fond belief that Cousin Myrtilla would prove a tower of strength, hastened to the parlor.

"Oh cousin!" she said with tears, "you've come to a house of mourning."

"Now, Elvira," remonstrated Mrs. Herry, "why should you talk as if Nicholas were dead?"

"It is worse than death!" sighed Miss Elvira. "My poor brother."

"Well, yes," said Mrs. Herry, with an answering sigh. Her son also—an only child—had not been a credit to the family, neither had he married acceptably, but Cousin Myrtilla had overlived all that, and today was fat and rosy and happy. "And I suppose Jasper Thorne is doing all he can to make things worse with his stiffneckedness, and thinking himself a philosopher when he is only a fool."

"Oh!" Miss Elvira said reproachfully.

"I've known him, my dear," continued Mrs. Herry, "man and boy I've known Jasper more than forty years. He never was wrong in his life."

Miss Elvira looked bewildered.

"But I came here to talk to him, not about him. I've a message for my cousin, the colonel."

"Oh," stammered Miss Elvira, "if it's about Nicholas, I'm afraid——"

"It is about Nicholas and I am not a bit afraid," Mrs. Herry declared stoutly. "You miserable coward Elvira, just because Jasper Thorne has heavy eyebrows and a high and mighty air, you don't dare hold an independent opinion. Go, call your brother, I have that to say to him it is best he should hear."

Miss Elvira obeyed, that is, she sent Missy to tell Glory Ann to tell Griffin Jim to tell Tom Quash to hunt up the colonel and bear him the information that Mrs. Herry wished to see him.

The colonel made no delay in answering the summons, but he was very ceremonious in his greeting; he overdid everything now in his desire to appear unmoved.

Mrs. Herry, however, had not known him so many years to be easily deceived.

"It will kill him," she said to herself, "unless he can be persuaded to reconciliation." Then she spoke out:

"Cousin Jasper, there's no need for pretension between you and me. I'm older than you are, and I've seen trouble—with a son of my own. It is best to look things squarely in the face. Nicholas has made an unfortunate marriage, but——"

"Madam!" said the colonel, in a deep and angry voice, with a hand uplifted in protest. His face had turned a ghastly pallor that made his black brows look blacker than ever, underneath which his eyes gleamed like lightning.

Missy, who had refused to be sent away, sat gazing at him fascinated, and Miss Elvira shrank visibly, but Mrs. Herry never faltered. "Dosa will make him a good wife," she proceeded, in a calm and even voice, "she would make you a good daughter, if"——

"Never!" shouted the colonel. He seemed to wish to say more but speech failed him.

"None of us, indeed, would have chosen her for Nicholas," Mrs. Herry continued, "but she is a good girl, and all this is something for you to consider and be thankful for. Life has more remunerative work to offer than nursing a wrong, and Nicholas isn't alone to blame."

"Will you oblige me," the colonel in later she discovered the bundle under the wardrobe.

"Who in de lan' put dis here?" she inquired.

"Me," said Missy.

"What fur I'd lak ter know?"

"Cause." And no coaxing could make Missy say further.

Meanwhile old Gilbert pursued his journey sadly. Once in the silent woods he essayed to sing, for his comfort:

Zion, Zion is my home
I'm a trav'lin' de hebenly road.

but he ended with a sigh, and drove on, mute.

Toward sundown Miss Roxanna White, sitting on the top step of the porch, and enjoying her evening "dip" in solitude, espied the ox cart coming along the road. In that primitive and secluded hamlet the passage of an ox cart was an exciting event. Miss White watched it with an interest that was almost breathless. It seemed too good to be true that this cart with the strong black ox and the very respectable old negro driver was actually going to stop before the house where, for the time being, she had her abiding place.

"Whose ole nigger are you?" she demanded in shrill excitement as Gilbert dismounted.

"I's Gilbert, ma'am, Kernel Thorne's man Gilbert fum over in Leon," he responded, removing his hat and bowing low.

"In the name o' peace an' plenty!" exclaimed Roxanna, rising to the full extent of her numerous inches, and peering at the cart from the height of the top step. "Brought Nick Thorne's trunk, eh?"

"Yes, mistis."

"Well, I got no mo'n simple justice 'cordin to my way o' thinkin', but as a officer o' justice, you're powerful laggard in yo' movements. Whyn't ye come a day sooner?"

"I cum soon ez de succumstances wuz qualified, ma'am," old Gilbert explained deferentially.

"An' you come too late, Nick Thorne ain't here," Miss White announced, compactly.

Old Gilbert stood agape and stupefied. "Whey—whey he den, mistis?" he stammered.

"That's mo'n I kin tell. He kited off to Sunrise plantation yestiddy, two hours be-sun, an' as I hear tell he sol' that black hawse o' his'n to the overseer fur a hundred an' fifty, which it was wuth five hundred, if it wus wuth a dime, an' he come back with Johnson's rickety ole buggy an' blin' mare; an' this mawnin' by daybreak him an' Dosa tuk up their line o' march to seek their fortune, I s'pose. They ain't said nare word to me. They're a pair o' turkle doves, to-be-shore; what kin you expect but what they'd fly. But whar they'll light I don't undertake to prophesy. All I know is, they're gone an' I'm left alone here like a sparrer on the housetop, or mo' lakly a buzzard on a rail—considerin' of my size."

"Tubbe shu!" old Gilbert ejaculated, with polite assent. He looked to the right and he looked to the left, up at the sky and down at the ground, rubbing his forehead with his horny forefinger. "What I gwan to do nex'?" he sighed.

"You kin carry that trunk back, an' wait fur occasion," said Miss White. "It's a mighty foolish business, this marryin' 'thout security fur meat 'n bread, but cussin' won't mend it none, an' you kin tell Colonel Thorne I sesso."

"Dullaw, mistis!" said old Gilbert with uplifted hand. "I wouldn't so much ez name Mawse Nick to mawster—not fur freedom."

Miss White cackled harshly.

Gilbert, recalling Miss Elvira's instructions as to the contents of the provision basket, thought that it might be well to make a propitiatory offering to this severe giantess, who seemed somehow to be linked with his young master's fate.

"Dey's a little matter o' goodies out yander in de cart," he said with [illegible] humility, "mebbe you mought lak ter tas' em?"

Miss White spat viciously. "No thankee," said she. "They'd sour on my stomik."

"You mought set 'em aside ontel Mawse Nick come back," old Gilbert suggested, timidly.

"He ain't a-comin' back!" Miss White declared with decision so energetic that old Gilbert's heart sank with the fear that his young master was turned out of doors on all sides. "Eh! me a-countin on old Mawse Job Furnival ter tek care on him," thought the old negro, sadly, as he stood twirling his hat, and casting furtive glances at the inexorable Amazon on the doorstep, but Miss White had said her say and was silent.

At last he turned to go. "I wish you well, ma'am," he said, "en I'm 'bleeged ter you."

"You're welcome," said Roxanna. "Though what you got to be thankin' me is mo'n I kin see."

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THE CULTURE OF ROOT CROPS

Timely Suggestions That May Assist the Prospective Cultivator.

That roots are a useful addition to the winter ration of most domestic animals is quite commonly admitted, but from the large amount of water they contain it is necessary that they should be raised at a very small cost to make their use profitable as food for animals. Two things, says Professor Roberts of the Cornell university experiment station, make the raising of mangels expensive. First germination is imperfect; second, it is often slow to start, and being slow the weeds get the start of the young beets, thus necessitating much hand weeding and a large increase in expense.

The mistake that is commonly made, says the same authority, is that beets are usually planted entirely too late, the common practice being to plant the root ground after the corn is out of the way. This is regarded as not the best practice. The beet is a plant native to much colder latitudes than corn, and will germinate and grow in temperatures where corn would do nothing. The root ground should be plowed as early in the spring as the land can be brought into proper condition for the seed. It should be rich, mellow and finely pulverized while there is sufficient moisture in the soil to insure rapid and even germination. If the planting is delayed till the latter part of May, an incipient drouth is often responsible for the slow start of the beets.

At the station, by planting early and using seed known to be good, they have succeeded in raising roots at a cost so low that they can be fed with profit. Last season the beets were planted April 18. The season was wet and more than the usual amount of hand weeding was necessary. The cost per bushel for seed and labor was seven cents, the charge for labor and team being nearly double what they can be had for on ordinary farms. Even at these prices (15 cents per hour for man and 20 cents per hour for team) in more favorable years roots have been [illegible] cost of five cents per bushel for seed and labor.

Fertilizers for Wheat and Corn.

Experiments made at the Ohio experiment station with artificial fertilizers for wheat and corn seem to justify the conclusion that in fertilizing for wheat a much greater crop may be produced by using phosphoric acid and nitrogen in approximately equal quantities, the phosphoric acid being applied in the fall, the nitrogen (if used as nitrate) chiefly in the spring [illegible] by the ordinary [illegible] plates only. [illegible] but not [illegible] from a fertilizer [illegible] without detriment to the crop.

The most important conclusion to be drawn from these tests is, however, that in very many if not the majority of cases neither wheat nor corn will return the increase of crop to cover the cost of any artificial fertilizer at present prices of grain and fertilizers [illegible]

[illegible] experiments do not, however, furnish conclusive proof that commercial fertilizers cannot be used with profit. Most persons who use these fertilizers on wheat do so in the belief that the grass or clover following the wheat is much improved by the fertilizer, and English experiments indicate that there is some justification for this belief. Whether this improvement is sufficient to compensate the average loss which must result in the wheat crop is a question which should be subjected to the test of systematic experiment.

Preparing for the Crops.

Too much care cannot be given to a careful preparation of the soil for the crop that is to be raised upon it. Quite often in the hurry of spring work, and where one has more acres destined for cultivation than he has help to properly handle the plowing is hastily and imperfectly done, ridges are left unturned and bunches of grass uncovered and ready to grow to the detriment of the crop. Against such methods a thorough plowing and subsequent harrowings so that the ground is reduced to a mellow and clean condition for the reception of the seed is worth as much at least as one [illegible] the plants are up. At the present low prices for farm products it will be better to leave half of the land in fallow than to attempt to cultivate more than can be done in the best manner. The profit in farming does not lie so much in the number of acres under cultivation as in the manner in which the cultivation is done. By careful attention to every detail many a farmer will from a few acres realize more actual profit than a neighbor will from a large farm carried on with hired help.

Agricultural Notes.

At the meeting of the American Horticultural society at Austin, Tex., a lady advised that the effort to agree upon a "national flower" should be abandoned, but that instead each state should select a flower for itself.

Ten million young whitefish from the government fish hatchery on Lester river, Minn., were placed in Lake Superior this spring and it is intended to place 15 000 000 more there at once. Science assumes that about one-fourth of these will probably survive, maturing in four years, if the illegal work of the net fishermen can be prevented.

The American Institute fair will open in New York October 1 and continue through November.

[illegible] produce honey dark in color the entire season. In this case, advises H. D. Cutting, a Michigan apiarian, it is best to work entirely for extracted honey.

There should be as little excitement as possible, and an effort made to milk, feed water and clean the cows at fixed and regular times.

Professor J. W. Clark, of Missouri, is credited with asserting that tobacco waste will drive white grubs out of the strawberry bed and is a most valuable fertilizer. It is also good for grapes and other fruits.

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FARM, FIELD, GARDEN.

EVERY DAY TOPICS CONSIDERED IN A PRACTICAL MANNER.

Interesting and Instructive Items About Oats, Which Cereal Stands Third in Importance in the United States—Poultry Properly Prepared for Market.

Oats is the cereal which stands third in importance in the United States, both as regards the number of acres cultivated and the number of bushels raised per acre. In many localities, and especially in northern Pennsylvania, there is no doubt that it is the most profitable grain that is raised, unless it be buckwheat, which commands a good price because it encounters no western competition. The five states of Illinois, Iowa, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin produce 52 per cent. of the whole crop. Illinois is the banner state, producing about 15½ per cent. of the whole. Four of the states and territories, viz., Maine, Vermont, New York and Wyoming, raise more oats than any other cereal.

There are three pretty well defined classes of cultivated oats; the most common varieties have the husks or hulls adherent, and these are divided into two classes, in one of which (as an example, the potato oats) the panicle which produces the kernels branches from either side of the stem, while on the other the heads branch only on one side of the stem—as for instance the Hungarian. There are also naked varieties in which the kernels separate from the hulls, and are called Chinese oats, "skinless oats" and "hull-less oats."

Oats grow on all kinds of soils, from heavy clays to light sands, and on moist soils and dry soils, but are the most at home and flourish the best in a cooler and moister climate than that which is best adapted to winter wheat. Eighty per cent. of the crop in the United States is raised at an altitude of from 500 to 1 500 feet above the level of the sea. More than one half of the whole crop grows where the mean annual temperature is between 45 and 50 degs., and about five-sixths of the crop grows where the January temperature is below the freezing point. There are winter varieties of oats, as there are of wheat, rye and barley, but these are not much cultivated.

Probably not 1 per cent. of the whole crop produced is winter oats, all the rest being sown in the spring of the year, and very little of it harvested before the 1st of July. Four-fifths of the crop is raised where the mean annual rainfall is between 30 and 45 inches, and where the spring and summer rainfall is between 15 and 25 inches. The weight of oats varies in different localities, and in the same locality in different seasons, all the way from 20 to 46 pounds per measured bushel. In commercial transactions 32 pounds is considered a bushel, and that is also the legal weight in most of the states.

As a fodder for cattle on the farm, oat straw is considered to be of more value than any other kind. It being softer and having more leaves, cattle prefer it, and if secured in good order and bright they can be wintered on it without any hay or grain. Oats produces a large quantity of good fodder when cut and cured in the green state, and is largely raised as a forage crop in the states south of Virginia and Kentucky and east of Arkansas, where it is more difficult to produce large crops of hay from grass. It is also grown in the south for pasture. In California it is grown to some extent for forage. It leaves the ground in good condition for the succeeding crop by furnishing a dense shade, and helps to keep down the growth of weeds.

As regards the method of raising oats nothing need be said, as nearly everybody, whether farmer or not, knows that the ground is prepared as for other spring crops, sometimes being plowed in the fall, where the soil is benefited by fall plowing, and harrowed in the spring. The seed is sown broadcast and harrowed in or it is put in with a drill. When raised in a regular rotation of crops, it generally follows corn, and the oats is followed with wheat. Heavy oats from a more northern and cooler region carried into a warmer and drier one rapidly degenerates in weight, though for a time it produces heavier oats than can be raised from the native home grown seed. In consequence of this tendency to degeneration, a considerable trade is carried on in seed oats from places north to places farther south.—The above items originally appeared in American Rural Home.

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of Warren County

We are indebted to Senator H. [illegible] for a copy of Smull's Legislative Hand Book, 1890 edition.

The [illegible] contract has been let by the [illegible] for the publication of the [illegible] Hand [illegible]. There [illegible] to be no end to the great pest.

A [illegible] looks as though [illegible] was beaten for the renomination on Tuesday last in the 33d [illegible] district. [illegible] the senator [illegible]

The [illegible] celebrated its [illegible] week by publishing an [illegible] number of 16 pages. The [illegible] is one of the very best papers in Pennsylvania, and we congratulate our old friend Hiram Young on the evidence of prosperity which his anniversary number shows his paper has attained.

Hon. Wm. A. Wallace is rapidly forging to the front as the gubernatorial candidate of the Democratic party in this State. It has never seemed possible that the nomination would be given to as weak a man as Robert Pattison who was elected by accident, when a big brainy man as [illegible] Wallace would accept it.

[illegible] refused to kiss a newsboy baby that a Pittsburg woman pushed into his face. Even [illegible] like him the [illegible] down the [illegible] their hearts [illegible] they may [illegible] for him [illegible] that a [illegible] shall receive all manner of [illegible] and [illegible] little faces, and [illegible] in yielding to the [illegible] — *New York Press.*

[illegible] the Miner's pages for [illegible] office failed to reach [illegible] last week. They left [illegible] Friday noon [illegible] and then disappeared from [illegible]. It has been impossible to trace anything of their [illegible] or what could have become of them. We did not have the [illegible] to supply the loss consequently our [illegible] subscribers are the losers, a fact which we very much regret.

Hon. [illegible] who represents the [illegible] Allegheny county) district in Congress was on the point of being renominated on Tuesday last at the convention held in Pittsburg, when, to the astonishment of all his friends, he addressed the delegates declining the nomination and requested that Wm. A. Stone, ex U. S. District Attorney, be nominated. Two thirds of the delegates were Bayne men and Stone was nominated on the first ballot. It was an extraordinary proceeding and can only be accounted for on the hypothesis that Bayne, who is a warm friend of Quay, has the promise of a [illegible] appointment of importance.

[illegible] order was issued on Tuesday of this week by the Superintendent of the Census:

To Supervisors and Enumerators

The Thirteenth section of the Census act makes it a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of $500, for any supervisor or enumerator to communicate to any person not authorized to receive the same any information gained by him in the performance of his duties. It is not, therefore, within the discretion of the supervisors or the enumerators to make public or to give out any part of the information obtained by them. This applies with equal force to local authorities, newspapers and individuals. In no case will the superintendent grant permission to divulge any such information. No publication whatever of the returns must be made by the supervisors and no rough estimates given out. Publication should be made at Washington immediately after the examination has been made by the supervisors to discover the omissions and errors.

The Pittsburg *Times* controlled by C. L. Magee, [illegible] some time ago inaugurated the idea of soliciting ballots for the most popular school teacher in Allegheny county. The first prize, [illegible] trip to Europe and return and a book for $100, was won by Miss [illegible] teacher of Liberty school, Pittsburg, and the presentation ceremonies took place on Wednesday of last week in the presence of over 2,000 people. The following letter was read from Mr. Magee:

PITTSBURG, MAY 28, 1890.

Miss [illegible], Liberty School.

DEAR MISS [illegible]: I regret very much to find that it is impossible for me to be present on the occasion of your receiving the evidences of your distinction as the most popular teacher in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio or West Virginia. I should have been glad to be at the presentation of such a testimonial to any teacher in a Pittsburg school. It would gratify me specially in this case where the young lady so honored is the daughter of two old schoolmates of mine. I went to school with your father and your mother. I know that their daughter must be lacking in [illegible]. [illegible] will see many beautiful and famous and admirable things in the old world, but I am sure that when you return you will agree with me that the most beautiful sight of the whole voyage was your first glimpse of the American flag when your returning ship sailed into New York bay.

"Wishing you, in behalf of *The Times*, a pleasant voyage and a safe return, and that you may see nothing on the other side to make you doubt that your country is the best country under the sun, and Pittsburg the best city in it, I am,

"Very sincerely yours,

"C. L. MAGEE."

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

(From our own Correspondent)

HARRISBURG, June 3 — Memorial day has come and gone — the memories it is intended to revive and the sacred duties it imposes upon surviving veterans of the rebellion will always remain while a soldier lives to recall the scenes of the war. It has been observed from all parts of the north and such portions of the southern States, where treason is not still rampant, that the ceremonies of this day were never more generally kept than were those of Friday last, soldier and citizen vieing with each other in doing honor to the fallen heroes who have died that our common country might live, that our common heritage might be a united, happy and prosperous land. In striking contrast to the observance of this sacred holiday to the old Union veterans was the ceremony observed in Richmond, Va., last week at the unveiling of the statue to the Confederate Lee. While it is conceded that the traitor general was a great commander, it must also be conceded that he was a traitor to the flag and to the country that educated him and made it possible for him to reach his greatness. The south did perfectly right in honoring his memory in the erection of tablets and good stats to his memory but it insulted the loyal people of the whole land when it flaunted the emblems of treason and of the lost cause in the face of the whole loyal land in the ceremonies attending the dedication of his monument. The veterans of the Union cause have reason to complain of the Richmond ceremonies and the question is not infrequent, "Has the general government no authority to put a stop to such proceedings?"

The Grand Army boys generally all over the north were glad of the pleasant weather General [illegible] largely gave to them for their day's celebration and took advantage of it and made the ceremonies everywhere a grand success.

Turning again to politics we at once look to Philadelphia, which for the present is the Mecca of Democratic politicians. It will be recalled that the Clearfield leader Wallace early in the canvass declared that he would accept the nomination for Governor only if tendered him by his party with practical unanimity and he did think, you believe, that such would be his good luck. He begins to think now that there is no practical unanimity in the bestowal of the nomination and therefore has concluded to fight for his leadership and will accept the nomination even if it is handed to him on an old cracked tin plate with or without pledges of unanimity. The nomination has what he wants, as to the manner of its bestowal he now cares nothing, and the inroads that the Pattison strength is making in places Wallace imagined all his own has very much discomforted him.

The Pattison leaders of the Quaker city are in earnest and in consequence of their activity there is much bad blood shown between the Wallace and Pattison factions.

A scheme that is now under discussion is to postpone the meeting of the Democratic Convention which meets on July 2 to a date later in the month. The outside reason is that the nearness of the date July 2 will seriously interfere with those Philadelphia delegates who have made arrangements to leave the city for July 4th. Pending the discussion of this proposition a few days ago the Clearfield statesman was conveniently present at the Continental hotel where he held frequent interviews with his leaders in the city. The inside reason is Wallace's friends have admitted that the Pattison movement have assumed formidable proportions within a month past and that things did not look so rosy for their favorite. The postponement of the date for the meeting of the State Convention it is hoped would enable the Wallace boom to get together and defeat the Pattison movement. The postponement proposition it is expected will be submitted to the Executive Committee within a few days, but to all appearances, to a man outside, it looks as if Wallace's name would be Dennis. Pattison has the call and will be the nominee unless all signs fail.

Ben Myers who is postmaster of Harrisburg and is also in charge of the Wallace interests in the interior of the State, is not pleased with the outlook and charges that the Scott Harrity faction is guilty of a breech of faith in that they have violated promises made at a conference held at the Bellevue in Philadelphia some time ago. He is outspoken in his condemnation at the broken pledges made at that conference by the Scott Harrity combination. The Wallace people are all displeased at the Bill Scott faction, who loves neither Pattison or Wallace (but Pattison more), because in his efforts to defeat Wallace he declares that the Clearfield aspirant is opposed to the renomination of Grover Cleveland for President. Senator Wallace emphatically denies this, yet it is funny that all of Wallace's friends are numbered among those who are bitterly opposed to the fat ex President. It is claimed by the Wallace people that it is bad faith in Scott to drag into the present canvass any issues that will not demand attention for a year or more. All the same Scott has enlisted for Cleveland and will give him a boost even if he sends the Keystone Democratic party into a thousand fragments for next fall's campaign.

Cumberland county's statesman, Hon. Samuel Wherry, recently in conversation with your correspondent said if Pattison was nominated by the Democracy, he would not be surprised to see Cumberland county give its majority vote to the Republican candidate. He claimed that Wallace was twenty thousand votes stronger in the State than any man the Democrats could name.

Mr. Wherry is no longer a candidate for gubernatorial honors. He will be contented to go back to the lower House of the Legislature and, he says, in case the Legislature shall be Democratic, he will be its speaker. He said because of the unfortunate differences in his party in the State, a Republican victory was manifest, so far as the head of the ticket was concerned, but he added with a knowing smile, the lower house may be Democratic.

Senator Allen of Warren county, was in Harrisburg last week and predicted an overwhelming Republican victory for our party next November.

Dauphin county primaries were held on Saturday evening last and were very largely attended. The interest in this fall's campaign is very great. The result of the vote is the selection of a divided delegation—two will be for Delamater and two for Hastings. It is said an attempt will be made to send the delegates to the convention uninstructed. The city's delegates will be Hon. Lyman D. Gilbert, ex Deputy Attorney General, and J. Hart Randt and Hoyt. Mr. Gilbert is a warm personal friend and great admirer of the Crawford county Senator and in the event of the election of Mr. Delamater Mr. Gilbert expects to be the Attorney General of the State. The four delegates from this county will be unanimous for Mr. Gilbert and will work for his interest in the convention so it is said.

It is said however that in case no instructions are voted in the convention General Hastings will divide the honors with Delamater.

The soldiers' orphans schools vacations will begin in a few weeks. At the reopening next September the schools at White Hall, Dauphin county, and Mt. Joy, Lancaster county will be discontinued and all these scholars will be concentrated at Chester Springs, Chester county. After 1891 it is expected that all the schools can be consolidated and two permanent ones established, one to be located at Chester Springs in the eastern part of the State and one at Uniontown in Fayette county to receive all the pupils in the western portion of the State. VIDETTE.

MEMORIAL DAY ADDRESS BY HON. [illegible] STONE AT SMETHPORT

Mr. President, members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Ladies and Gentlemen:

It was twenty nine years ago, a little earlier in the season, when, in the figure of the poet Lowell, Spring's pickets had been driven in by the rebel frosts, that the Bucktails of McKean began the tragedy of 1861 and started from Smethport for the Susquehanna. In the presence of the survivors we still lift noiselessly the latches of memory. They have not invited me to portray before them their own deeds of valor whose bare recital would be a tribute that would start blushes in the veins of heroes. Indeed I might fitly point to yonder monument and say in the language of Webster at Bunker Hill "That motionless shaft will be the most powerful of speakers."

"What words to them whose faith and truth
On war's red touchstone rang true metal,
Who ventured life and love and youth
For the great prize of death in battle."

When Washington stood before the conquered army of Cornwallis some of the American troops, as Cornwallis came forward to surrender his sword began to cheer. The American general turned to them quickly and said "Let posterity cheer for us," and they were silent.

Veteran soldiers, trust your renown to posterity. In the approaching eventide of your generation more and more distinctly will the earth resound with the achievements of the Union armies. Nearer and clearer than before borne on the night wind of the past come the deadly echoes of the battle-field, the hoof beats of many a gallant charge, the clang of saber, the shriek of shell, the stifled moaning of the prison, the low murmur of the hospital and all the bursting agony of those who waited as well as those who went. Already your story is in the fibre of the American mind. It has been wrought into the literature of every civilized tongue. It gave Phillips to oratory, Tourgee to fiction, Whittier to poesy and shook the very air with the music of your high resolve that "As Christ died to make men holy you would die to make men free."

Then too life and death are more sacred in the sight of advancing civilization. When our civil war was waged it was the ancient and accepted method of settlement. Men did not stop to consider that foreign warfare had been mainly fought by hireling and subject soldiery, and that never before had millions of free, enlightened, sovereign souls attempted to settle their public issues by physical destruction. We begin to realize the enormity of such a conflict. Civilization stands aghast at some horrible catastrophe like that at Johnstown. But on yonder battlefields half a million men went down and every household in the land was palsied with grief and fear. A peace thus earned it would be sacrilege to break. No wonder that to-day the birds of the air are nesting in the cannon's mouth. American diplomacy would blush to confess a necessity for war.

Statesmanship is wisely concerned rather to fulfil its unwritten pledge to the nation's defenders.

"Oh, to the living few,
Soldiers, be just and true."

Repel with scorn the imputation of beneficence on the part of the general government. The pension laws do not rest upon sentiment but upon public honor. When Paul Revere on his midnight ride dashed through the streets of Lexington and Concord with his cry of alarm,

"A voice in the darkness, a knock at the door,
And a word that shall echo forevermore,"

the embattled farmers who formed by the highways and "fired the shot heard round the world" met the enemy at their very doors and set up the contest, not for independence alone, but, also, for their "altars and their fires." Let us not wonder if, when the warning came to your peaceful homes in the rigid form of a presidential proclamation, and the scene of the threatened conflict was a thousand miles away whence no roar of cannon could be heard nor smoke of battle greet the eye, there were certainly hearts not quickly steeled to cry out as did the wife of D'Agnessau "Go, forget that you have a wife and children to ruin, and remember only that you have France to save."

Before you broke the vows of home you had a right to the implied assurances of the government in which you were a partner that no detriment should come to that fireside. When you took down down your rifles and steered your historic raft along the streams that flowed to the south the obligation of the government was complete, and in the name of national honor no niggardly measure should wait upon its fulfillment.

It was a cruel war not only because it was forbidden by the best instincts of modern statesmanship, but also because by the light of historical retrospect the skeleton of a doubt arises whether it was really unavoidable.

The invention of the cotton gin by the Yankee Whitney gave to the south its domestic and foreign consequence. The protective tariff of 1832, under the leadership of Calhoun was enacted to make the Yankee "sandall" weave and spin for the slave holding aristocracy. When Calhoun discovered that the magical effect of the tariff was to promote the commercial importance of New England he reversed the policy of the south and sought to nullify the law. The authority of the United States was defied by the State of South Carolina. Thereupon the tariff was modified and the effect of the compromise was, in the declared opinion of Edward Everett, a postponement of the rebellion until 1861. "The next pretext," said President Jackson, "will be slavery, the negro question." With prophetic solicitude Daniel Webster vainly appealed to the north to save the Union and avert the devastation of civil war by measures of conciliation. And when at length secession became inevitable Andrew Jackson predicted that the dissolution of the Union was the dissolution of slavery. "The nature of disunion," said Wendell Phillips, "is that at its touch the slave breaks into voice shouting his jubilee." He contended that the south was incapable of self support, that four of the southern States were dependent upon the Union, that without the prestige of the old constitution slavery could not be maintained amid civilized nations, and that the loss of two thousand million dollars of property in slaves would make the southern States helpless suppliants for readmission. In the vein of this peaceful logic Holmes addressed his honored phrase to Carolina:

"Go then, our rash sister, afar and aloof,
Run wild in the sunshine away from our roof;
But when your heart aches and your feet have grown sore,
Remember the pathway that leads to our door."

It is interesting to conjecture whether the north might not have trusted the logic of Phillips if the south had not frantically fired upon Sumpter but had simply abstained from participation in the government of the United States and proceeded peaceably to organize the Confederacy and put it into operation.

In the shadow of the fearful slaughter of the civil war the children of this generation may fairly revise the contemporary estimate of the statesmanship of Webster and dwell with patriotic interest upon the confident philosophy of Phillips. At any rate the lesson is learned that in modern times political consequences are determined by the processes of commerce and invention rather than by arms. It is useless now to resist the cogent force of Mr. Phillips' statement. Civilization dwarfs political machinery. How absurd to say even of Pitt and Fox that they shaped the fate of England. The inventions of Watt and Arkwright set free millions of men for the ranks of Wellington, the wealth they created clothed and fed those hosts. Napoleon was struck down by no eloquence in the House of Commons, by no sword of Wellington. He was crushed and ground to powder by the steam engines of James Watt. It is not too soon in American history to observe that before the tide of commercial progress the traditional causes of war have disappeared. The concern of Washington lest the Mississippi should divide the republic has been overwhelmed in the multiplicity with which commerce has made its own rivers of iron. The railroad locomotive has obliterated the demarcations of latitude and longitude and torn its way through every estranging barrier of mountain and desert. One and indivisible the contest of the republic for supremacy among the nations is along the lines of commercial policy and science, invention, enterprise constitute its armament.

Reflecting thus that war has probably run its course in human history the heroism of the soldier gathers peculiar dignity and interest. Its deeds shine out and its detractors vanish. The private records of the war grow minute, its trophies are consecrated anew. The annual recurrence of these observances will yet become a panorama of patriotism. Is not the day surely at hand when the posterity of Pennsylvania volunteers will be no longer satisfied with the [illegible] seclusion of their regimental flags? It will demand of the Commonwealth that it shall never lay the foundation of a grander capitol until these tattered emblems shall have been enshrined in some fitting mausoleum within whose spacious alcoves the literature and the archives of the war of the rebellion shall be gathered and under whose dome there shall be grouped the sculpture and painting of this heroic era. Here the sons of veterans may study the spirit of the fathers. They shall look up into the pictured faces of the men who led your comrades over the gory fields of Dranesville and Spottsylvania, South Mountain and Chancellorsville. Do you think the boys of McKean would fail to find patriotic inspiration in the lineaments of Reynolds and Mead and Hartranft, or that they could be untrue to a Commonwealth that should summon art to its capital to commemorate the last charge of Hugh McNeill at the battle of Harrisonburg at the moment when Martin Kelley drew the rebel fire, the Spartan stand of Roy Stone who held a pivotal position at Gettysburg at the cost of two thirds of his command and every field officer but two, and the fight at Catlett's Station where General Kane, crutch in one hand and sword in the other, put to rout 2,000 of Stuart's cavalry with a force of sixty eight Bucktails.

Give the youth of Pennsylvania such a sanctuary of patriotism and they will see to it that the loyal spring time shall never forget to glorify these sacred places where

"Death like a sullen sentinel
Paces his everlasting round."

LITERARY NOTES.

A SEAPORT without Ships (Sandwich in Kent, England) is the subject of an article which Julian Ralph has written and Charles Graham and Bert Wilder have illustrated for the four page supplement to the number of *Harper's Weekly* published June 4th.

"THE Consumers League, a suggestion for concerted action by shoppers to relieve the hardships of saleswomen" will be contributed by Mary Gray Humphreys to the number of *Harper's Bazar* to be published June 6th. Thomas Wentworth Higginson in the same number will point out to women the encouraging prospect for "the equalization of salaries" in the educational profession and Kate Stephens will explain in detail what "A Chance for College Graduates" there is in the European Fellowship offered by the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ to women graduates.

AFRICA AND OUR RACE PROBLEM

By Col. Henry [illegible] in the June Forum

"The Congo Basin," says an eminent scientific authority, Prof. Dupont, fresh from a visit there, "is destined to be the granary of the world." Is this the ground to draw the gathering electricity from that black cloud spreading over the Southern States, which thus far has dropped fatness upon and given vast production to them, but which is now growing big with destructive elements? Perhaps here may be found a solution of the race problem that presses on us and must be met and must be solved. What eminent statesman will give himself to this great work, compel public attention, and point the way thither for these disturbing elements? Though condemned at present by many from partisan or other standpoints, an exodus of the better educated and more ambitious people of the colored race would lead up to practical, peaceful happy results for us and for our African races, and to immortal honors for that statesman. When is the new colored Moses to arise for this exodus and lead his people home?

JOSEPH JEFFERSON IN AUSTRALIA.

From "The Autobiography of Joseph Jefferson," in the June *Century*, we quote as follows: "As I look back upon the four years I passed in Australia I can only recall a dear remembrance of the kindness that was shown to me by the refined and hospitable people of that country. For a long time after I left there I contemplated paying it another visit, but year after year rolled on, and now I fear it is too late. To wander through the streets that I so well remember and find them altered would be nothing: we are too used to these changes in our own country to be affected by the wonderful growth of cities and the sudden shifting of localities, but I should feel lonely indeed to miss the faces that were so familiar and to think over the olden time when I was young and full of hope—surrounded by loving companions who had gathered around me when I was a stranger among them. It is nearly a quarter of a century since I left that distant land and those dear friends, but I have never forgotten them, and I am told that there are many who still remember me. And now farewell, Australia! I have no feeling but loving gratitude for you, and should these pages meet the eye of some old friend let us feel that we have once more together upon this earth and shaken hands.

HIS SENTIMENTS TOO

EDITOR MINER:—Referring to Mr. Dickinson's letter published in last week's MINER in regard to the election of Messrs. Burdick and Griffith to the Assembly, allow me to say "Them's just my sentiments too." I have yet to hear the first Republican in Eldred to say them nays. Yours truly,

W. G. ROBARTS.

Eldred, Pa., June 4, 1890.

The Standard

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TRIAL LIST

For Second Monday of June, A. D. 1890

1 William Elliot vs John Slocum. No. 391 February term 1883. Judgment opened. Plea—Payment with leave, &c.

2 The Township of Foster vs A. P. Sprague, A. J. Bishop. No. 76, February term 1884. Appeal from Auditors report. Plea—Non assumpsit, payment with leave to give special matter, &c.

3 Thomas Blakeslee vs [illegible] N. Grow. No. 1[illegible], December term 1884. Ejectment. Plea—Not guilty.

4 [illegible] vs A. Cunningham, M. Nugent and Mrs. Emily Nugent. No. [illegible] May term 1885. [illegible] real estate [illegible] Sheriff [illegible]. Plea—Death of M. Nugent, his tenant, [illegible] Mrs. Emily Nugent suggested and plea of not guilty for Mrs. Emily Nugent and A. Cunningham.

5 Henry H. Craig vs O. E. Tay. No. 60 October term 1887. Replevin. Plea—Non cepit and property in itself.

6 A. & W. Newel vs. Bradford Bordell and Kinzua Railroad Company. No. 177 February term 1888. Appeal from award of viewers.

7 Frank A. Newell vs the City of Bradford. No. 1[illegible] December term 1888. Assumpsit. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

8 C. H. Webster Jr. vs. Charles E. Judd and Mary Louise Judd his wife, formerly Mary Louise Hagarty. No. 1[illegible]8 December term 1888. Ejectment. Disclaimer of C. E. Judd filed. Plea—Not guilty.

9 Francis Strang vs The Borough of Port Allegany. No. [illegible] February term 1889. Trespass. Plea—Not guilty.

10 [illegible] J. W. Baker, Frank French, James Cornley, K. F. Wyant. No. 94 February term 1889. Capias ad resp. [illegible] in trespass. Plea—Not guilty.

11 F. W. Miller vs A. W. Newell. No. 288 February term 1889. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

12 Alexander McClenahan vs. F. H. O'Brien and P. H. Davitt, doing business as O'Brien & Davitt. No. 18 May term 1889. Assumpsit. Plea—Non assumpsit, payment with leave, set off and statute of limitation.

13 James White vs W. R. Clarke, High Sheriff of McKean Co. No. 1[illegible]4 October term, 1889. Trespass. Plea—Not guilty.

14 C. I. Douglass vs A. J. Edgett. No. 243 October term 1889. Trespass vi et armis. Plea—Not guilty.

15 [illegible] McCann vs Sam Birck. No. 4[illegible], October term 1889. Appeal. Plea—Non assumpsit.

16 Thomas Hafket vs. New York Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company. No. 13, December term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

17 J. B. Coller vs C. C. Kerr. No. 151 December term 1889. Capias in trespass for libel. Plea—Not guilty.

18 Joel I. Chaffee vs Edward Crooks. No. 2[illegible] December term 1889. Appeal. Plea—Non assumpsit.

19 Frank Fitzgibbons and Addie M. Fitzgibbons his wife, for use of said Addie M. Fitzgibbons vs Albert E. Van Hengen, Administrator of the estate of Mary E. Cooper, deceased. No. 243, December term 1889. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

20 Thomas Buton vs. Mrs. Annie Hunt. No. 1 February term 1890. Appeal. Plea—Non-assumpsit.

Administrator's Notice.

ESTATE OF C. G. MILLIGAN, DECEASED. Letters of administration on the estate of C. G. Milligan, late of the city of Bradford, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to L. M. Sterns, residing in said city, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

L. M. STERNS, Administrator.

McSweeney & Byles, Attorneys.

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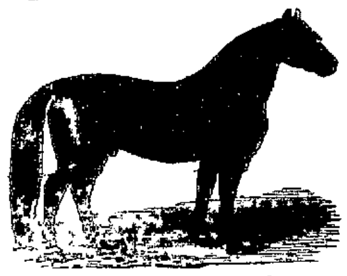

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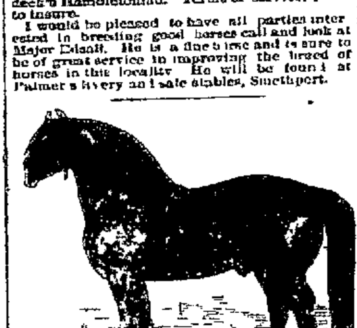

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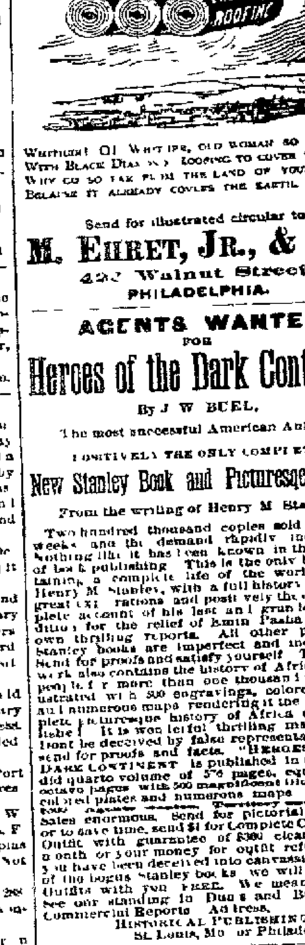

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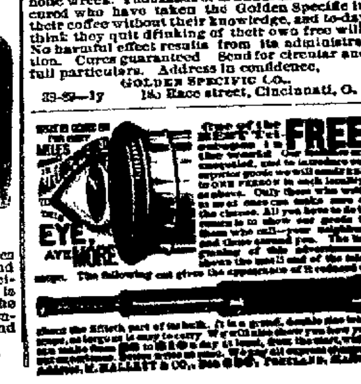

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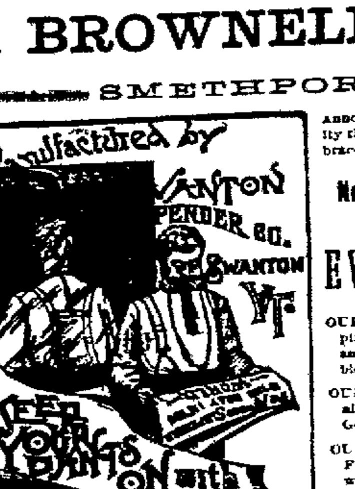

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Smethport, Pa., June 5, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Father may I go out to yacht?
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[illegible] all my money!
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Circuit court next week.

[illegible] is again on the tapis.

The commissioners are very busy.

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[illegible] the B. B. & K. depot here.

Give the sprinkling boom a rest—a [illegible].

Smethport's Fourth of July attraction will be great.

[illegible] Wilcox was among the Bradford visitors this week.

[illegible] Ryan of Kane was a caller at the Miner office Wednesday.

[illegible] is vainly trying to convince [illegible] that the [illegible] summer month.

The usual number of Bradford attorneys were on hand this week.

Ex-Mayor McSweeney of Bradford, was observed in town on Tuesday.

It is truthfully said that the law compels no one to perform impossibilities.

[illegible] and wife returned last week from a visit to Harrisburg friends.

Many improvements are being made in sidewalks by the borough authorities.

—F. R. Mayo, Esq., delivered a memorial oration at Duke Centre last Friday.

Smethport will celebrate ever glorious Independence Day in good style this year.

The next worst thing to being a newspaper man is to be a liquor dealer in Kane.

Smethport can boast of some of the neatest tonsorial establishments in the country.

C. O. Fanning of Kendall Creek has been granted a patent on a gas pressure regulator.

Jamison's grand concert company will be the attraction at the opera house next Tuesday.

Miss Lulu, daughter of [illegible], is making an extended visit in Philadelphia.

Mrs. T. D. Nash started for New York on Monday where she will purchase more new goods.

Dr. G. S. Dennis, of botanic spring medicine fame, was introducing his remedies in Smethport this week.

Hon. R. B. Stone's Memorial day address published on second page of this issue will be found very interesting.

The Odd Fellows will dedicate their [illegible] hall about the 15th inst. It [illegible] of the finest halls in this section.

The Revs. [illegible] of Eldred and P. Cosgrove of Sartwell, were the guests of Father Galligan this week.

J. F. Newman of Buffalo, was in town Monday. He is now engaged extensively in the lumbering business in this county.

A [illegible] room has been provided [illegible] borough council in the new town hall and a correspondent wonders why it [illegible].

Prof. [illegible] M. March of Bradford, a graduate of the Edinboro Normal School, is an applicant for the superintendency of the Smethport schools.

Nathan B. Evans and Miss Maude A. Taylor both of Turtle Point were united in matrimony by [illegible] Carpenter, Esq., of Larrabee last Saturday.

The Bradford and Smethport juveniles will play the first ball game of the season at Hamlin park on the 9th if the weather is favorable.

The Simpson R. R. R. will give a ball at [illegible] hall on Friday evening next. Prof. Mills orchestra of this place will furnish music.

Edward Norman and Miss Alta Larson both of Smethport were united in matrimony by Rev. W. D. Enkens, at the Baptist parsonage, May 28th.

[illegible] Bond gave a very artistic exhibition on a rope stretched between the third stories of the I. O. O. F. hall and Grand Central hotel on Memorial day.

Will [illegible] Collings of the Kane *Leader* typographical force was in town this week attending court, and dropped in the Miner office several times, while here.

The great balloon ascension with parachute descent at Smethport July 4th will draw the crowd. Amusements from 10 o'clock in the morning till 12 at night.

Miss Clara Thomas returned from a two weeks visit in Buffalo on Friday. She was accompanied by her cousin Miss Anna Thomas of Buffalo, who will spend a few weeks in town.

James Quick, of Smethport, and Miss Anna M. Kalebach of Hasselus, Pa. were united in marriage at the Holy Cross Church of Hasselus, Tuesday June 3d, by the Rev. Father Walsh.

A number of times during every young man's career, he thinks that there is but one girl in the world, but the impression is erroneous, as there are millions of them in Africa alone.

The season of the year is at hand when it is every one's duty to tumble out of his bunk at 4 a. m., take a number of deep drawn inhalations, and realize how [illegible].

Memorial day was observed in Farmers Valley with impressive ceremonies. Sheridan Gorton, Esq. delivered an address in that place. Comrade Henry Curtis took an active part in the exercises.

—The success attending the recent home talent concert which was largely due to the efforts of Rev. J. H. McLeod, has given rise to some talk of producing an operetta or a comic opera.

Harry J. Bosett, an estimable young man of 23 years, died at his home in this city last Sunday morning of typhoid pneumonia. Funeral services were conducted in this place on Tuesday.

J. E. Shoemaker, the genial ex-county treasurer passed Sunday with his family on Kingsbury St. Mr. Shoemaker is now superintending the extension of the Smethport and Port Allegany railroad.

Work has begun on the extension of the Smethport and Port Allegany railroad from Port [illegible] to Sweden Valley, Potter county and it is possible that the extension will be continued to Ansonia.

Children's day will be observed by the Baptist Sunday school on Sunday evening, June 8th, at 7:30 o'clock by appropriate and interesting exercises. All [illegible] the school cordially invited.

—A Smethport correspondent says that [illegible] Smethport does a large amount of living [illegible] of late, and that it is a [illegible]. The scribe is right, a *Police Gazette* representative would flourish there.

—Every slugging match, cocking main, circus performance, faro game and draw poker has its professor in this progressive age. Verily these professors of divinity, law or physic, they are a much-abused creature.

—The Young Ladies Industrial League will give a strawberry festival at the W. C. T. U. rooms, in the Backus building, on the evening of June 17. Remember place and date and encourage this society by your presence.

—The county jail was never in better condition than at the present time. Sheriff W. B. Clarke is one of those fastidious gentlemen who will have things in good form if he has to settle the bills out of his own pocket book.

—We are told that a representative citizen of East Smethport, would not permit a flag belonging to the Democrats of the community to float over the postoffice on Memorial day. If the story is true the gentleman must be the soul of patriotism.

—A children's day service will be held in the M. E. Church on Sabbath morning. In the evening Mrs. D. E. Stewart and Mrs. P. L. Wakeley of Bradford, representatives of the County W. C. T. U. will give short addresses in regard to their work. Evening service at 8 o'clock.

It is generally understood that Mr. Clark Wilson, editor of the McKean *Democrat* will retire from the newspaper business after this week. Eugene Mill[illegible] Esq., a journalist of experience, and formerly editor of the Kane Leader, it is understood, will assume control of the paper.

—The Gallagher versus Gibbs Greco-Roman wrestling match as announced in the Miner last week came off in the Athletic club's rooms, Bradford, on Monday evening. The bout was very interesting and terminated with Gallagher's victory. Gallagher offers to meet any man in the world.

—A New York exchange says: "A man robbed the city of Rochester of over $30,000 and was sent to Auburn prison for five years. Another robbed a man of $6 and was sent to the same prison for nineteen years. The greater the crime the lighter the punishment. It doesn't seem right does it?"

—Exchanges are advising their subscribers not to consider it an ill omen if they find a spider between the folds of their newspaper. The spider is said to be simply examining the columns to find out the business firms not advertising that he may spin his web across the door of such a firm and enjoy unbroken solitude.

—The Rt. Rev. Tobias Mullen, D. D., Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Erie, was at St. Elizabeth's Church in this place on Sunday where he administered confirmation. He was assisted by the Revs. Father Galligan of this place and Cosgrove of Sartwell. From Smethport the Bishop went to Olean where he also administered confirmation on the same day.

—Judge Hamlin received a large number of visitors at his residence Wednesday evening who were desirous of beholding for the first time a night blooming cereus in its beautiful maturity. Mr. Hamlin has innumerable rare and beautiful flowers in his green house but the cereus was the cynosure of many an admiring glance in finding the white[illegible] that evening.

—The grippe has reappeared in many localities in a new form. The eyes seem to be the object of attack, the preliminary symptoms being a constant state of tearfulness, followed by an inflammation which is often very painful and sometimes disabling. This new form of this troublesome disease has not yet however risen to the dignity of an epidemic.

—The Kane Dramatic Club which comes highly recommended will appear at Kattredge opera house on the evening of June 6th in their [illegible] "Uncle Reuben" a very pleasing drama. The company met with great success at Kane and the cast is criticised as composed of excellent talent. The proceeds of the entertainment will go to the soldiers monument fund and the house should be filled.

Robert Bloodworth the urbane and efficient manager of Stickney, Bell & Company's store opposite the court house displayed an extremely artistic taste in his decorations of the front of the establishment Memorial day. In one of the mammoth windows one could have imagined a regiment encamped. With muskets and swords stacked in the foreground of the sylvan scene, hard tack ready for mastication and fuel for the camp-fires in position, it was a realistic and unique picture.

—It reflects credit upon the press of any city or community, to expose the vile degeneracy of that class of creatures who in league with the king of [illegible] lure beautiful girls to dens of iniquity to rob them of the crowning virtue endowed to womanhood by the creator—their chastity—their soul. The sins of these moral lepers are worse than murder in the sight of heaven, and when we pause to consider we can see the advantages of Judge Lynch's jurisdiction. The Bradford *Star*, of Monday did well in exposing to the public some cess-pools of moral filth in that city.

—Jamison's concert company comes to Smethport on Tuesday next. This will be welcome news to everybody here. The company is larger than last season. All the old favorites are retained and many others added. Ines McCusker comes again after her tour of the continent with the Schubert Institute. A. C. Bratt, the [illegible] Owen, the great double-euphonium soloist of Cappa's band, is among the soloists, as is F. Opperman, flute soloist of the Marine band Washington. The orchestra numbers 14 performers and the programme contains four descriptive pieces besides the solos and classical selections. Don't miss the great concert this time.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is on the flood tide of popularity which position it has reached by its own intrinsic undoubted merit.

Temperance Wine.

No matter what may be said about the use of wines, it is the adulteration and trash mixtures that does the mischief. Where pure wines are used we hear no complaint of inebriation. We never hear of intoxication from the use of Speer's wine of New Jersey. This wine and also the Unfermented Grape Juice is held in high estimation by the best doctors in this country for the use of the sick.

They All Failed.

The following letter from Mr. W. A. Thompson, of Columbus, Wis. is peculiarly interesting: "My wife," says he, "has been treated for her head, stomach and nervous prostration by three doctors in New York, two in Chicago, one in Philadelphia, one in Cincinnati and at the large institute in Buffalo for 16 months. They all failed. But one bottle of Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine helped her wonderfully." This should be used in all headaches, backaches, changes in life, nervous disturbances, fits, rheumatism, etc. Ask at A. B. Armstrong's drug store for a trial bottle and Dr. Miles' new book on the Nerves and Heart.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Impressive Ceremonies of the Grand Army Veterans—Hon. R. B. Stone's Eloquent and Scholarly Discourse.

One more Memorial Day has circled around and brought forth in demonstrations of a national devotion to the memory of the dead heroes, a befitting observance. Although the roar of cannon and shriek of shell grows fainter to the ear, the glimmer of the bayonet fades, and the forms of the soldiers recede beyond the shadow of the tomb of the infinite past, Memorial day's beautiful ceremonies keep the fire of patriotic pride burning in the nation's breast, and keeps the graves of her soldiers green.

The day dawned fair and beautiful, promising that the ceremonies commemorative of the soldier dead, would be solemnized in sunshine. Business places and residences were draped in the national emblems, and the time for the parade to form was nearing, when to the great disappointment of everyone, rain commenced to fall. Fortunately it was but a temporary shower. Providence opportunely interposing swept away the clouds, and while Sol shone triumphantly down the procession formed in front of the court house at 2:30 p. m. in the following order and marched to Rose Hill cemetery:

Marshal and Aid.
Band.
Grand Army of the Republic—Solon G. Nash Commander.
President and Orator of the Day.
Smethport Lodge, I. O. O. F.
Smethport Fire Department.

The exercises at the cemetery, consisting of a dirge by the Smethport Band, prayer by the Chaplain, and address by the Commander and decoration of the graves by the comrades were very impressive as were also those at the cenotaph on the court house lawn after the return.

After the public exercises of Post 347 in the court house and several beautiful selections had been rendered by the male quartet consisting of Messrs. McCoy, Shero, [illegible] and Rogers. President of the day J. M. McElroy arose and made a few earnest remarks calling attention to the noble zeal displayed by the W. R. C. of the state, in its efforts for the Brookville Memorial Home. He then introduced the orator of the day Hon. R. B. Stone. Mr. Stone's masterly address, which is published on the second page of this issue, was listened to by a large and appreciative audience. When the oration was finished, other selections were rendered by the choir and band, after which the benediction was pronounced by Rev. T. W. Chandler and the audience dispersed.

CRIMINAL COURT

Resume of Proceedings—Findings of the Grand Jury Etc.

The June term of Quarter Sessions Court convened on Monday last, Hon. T. A. Morrison presiding.

G. H. Loyd of Sergeant township was appointed foreman of the grand jury.

The action of Constable R. E. Looker in returning a number of liquor dealers and druggists for illegal selling and a physician for prescribing intoxicants to persons of intemperate habits has caused considerable excitement, and as a consequence many Kane people are in attendance at court.

F. W. Atwood and Frank Greco were sworn as citizens.

Following are findings of the grand jury:

Benj. E. [illegible], larceny, a true bill.
Hugh Flanagan, open lewdness, a true bill.
James Kennelly, assault and battery, a true bill.
T. S. McIntyre, assault and battery, a true bill.
M. S. [illegible], larceny, a true bill.
[illegible], forcible entry, not a true bill, county pay costs.
Thomas Taylor alias Tom Taylor, larceny, a true bill.
Mary Burns, assault and battery, not a true bill.
[illegible], robbery, a true bill.
Frank Frew, assault and battery, not a true bill, county pay costs.
[illegible] Dolinger, forcible entry, not a true bill, county pay costs.
Frank Dana, permitting minors in a billiard room, a true bill.
Bert M[illegible], selling liquor without a license, not a true bill, county pay costs.
George Whitford, selling liquor without a license, a true bill.
John Kane, larceny, not a true bill.
E. Sheehan, selling liquor without a license, a true bill.
Richard Adams, selling liquor without a license, a true bill.
Richard Adams, gambling and keeping a gambling house, a true bill.

The following cases had been disposed of at the hour of going to press:

Commonwealth vs.—
H. L. Martin, adultery, bail forfeited.
Lena Clayton, adultery, bail forfeited.
Lena Green, assault and battery, verdict not guilty, pros. J. T. O'Rourke to pay costs.
Hugh Flanagan, open lewdness, not guilty, county to pay costs.
Earl L. Acres, larceny, guilty.
T. S. McIntyre, assault and battery, not guilty, defendant to pay costs.
James Kennelly, assault and battery, not guilty, defendant and prosecutor each pay half the costs.
M. L. Sterling, larceny, not guilty.
Mary Burns, assault and battery, not guilty, prosecutrix and defendant each to pay half the costs.
Carrie Emlinger, surety of the peace, defendant discharged, Pros. H. S. Esher pay costs.
Thomas Taylor, alias Tom Taylor, assault with intent to steal, not guilty.
George Whitford, selling liquor without a license, guilty, sentenced to pay a fine of $300 and costs, and be imprisoned in the county jail for the term of three months.
E. Sheehan, selling liquor without a license on trial.

Joseph Flinn, a juror, appearing in the jury box greatly intoxicated, was adjudged in contempt of court and sentenced to 24 hours in the county jail.

Smethport Schools.

Our schools closed for the summer vacation yesterday, and as this also brings to an end the present school year and will mark the termination of Prof. W. F. Shero as principal a short report will not be out of place. That the school, under the efficient management of Mr. Shero, has been a success, all fair-minded people must acknowledge and is fully proven by the following figures. During his first year the average attendance was but 150, while during the present year the average attendance has been 205, of which quite a number were non-resident pupils. Total number enrolled the present year 279, average percentage of attendance 93, a very good showing indeed. Higher grades of studies have been introduced by Mr. Shero, with flattering results.

Three pupils, Lucy Backus, Helen M. Choate and William Herzog graduated in the English and Latin courses and one, Fred D. Gallup in the college preparatory course.

As a further mark of success of Mr. Shero's work it may be mentioned that several of his pupils taught school in this county with success the past term. We but echo the sentiments of many of our best citizens when we say we regret his determination of withdrawing from the school and wish him an abundant success in his future undertakings.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ogilvie of Farmers Valley desire to return their sincere thanks to the ladies of the W. R. C., the people of Smethport, Farmers Valley and Frisbee for the kindness extended at the recent loss of their home by fire.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD

The doctors report very little sickness in this vicinity.

Hon. Rufus B. Stone went to Harrisburg on Saturday last.

Mrs. S. B. Dorn and daughter Creasie are visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Ben Steiger and son have returned from a short visit with friends in Ohio.

Pat Mulqueen is making decided improvements on the United States Hotel.

Rev. H. G. James, of Hornellsville, preached in the Baptist church last Sunday.

The Olean base ball club won two brilliant victories from the club on Friday last.

Work is progressing finely on Bovaird and Seyfang's new brick block on lower Main street.

The average attendance at the public schools of this city during the month of May was 1443.

L. J. Backer of Boston, and C. A. Backer of Smethport, were in Bradford on Saturday last.

The Custer city band, which took part in the Memorial day ceremonies, attracted much attention.

Sheriff Clarke was in town on Memorial Day. That new beard adds greatly to Billy's good looks.

Sam H. Coon of the Olean *Times*, was an interested spectator at the games of ball in this city on Friday last.

Our police force has donned their new helmets. They give our stalwart and affable officers an exceedingly ferocious look.

The Helene Adell Co. commenced a week's engagement at the opera house on Monday last. Miss Adell is a prime favorite with the Bradford theatre goers.

Henry S. Sartwell the genial and handsome hotel man of Olean, N. Y. was shaking hands with his numerous Bradford friends on Friday. He came over to see the ball game.

The old Frew block is a thing of the past. It has been leveled to the ground and the lumber carted off. One by one the old landmarks of Bradford are giving way to the onward march of improvement.

Dr. A. M. Straight has returned from Nashville, Tenn., where he was in attendance at the meeting of the American Medical Society. The doctor reports that he had a most enjoyable time during his absence.

Our old and esteemed friend Hon. W. S. Brownell of Smethport was in town last week. Time appears to deal very leniently with the Judge, and it is the wish of his many friends that he may be spared to them for many years.

During the memorial day parade J. L. Johnson one of the division commanders had a narrow escape from serious injury by being thrown from the spirited white charger he rode. This was the only mishap of the day, so far as I can learn.

The Webster street paving job is progressing finely. Workmen commenced laying the paving stone on Thursday last and that part of the job is now well under way. Contractor McMahon considering the weather is rushing the job with the greatest despatch.

The commencement exercises of the Bradford high school held at the opera house last Thursday evening, were of a very interesting nature and those who took part in the programme of the evening acquitted themselves in a highly creditable manner. The graduating class numbered nine.

John R. Bishop, aged 45 years resident of the city died at his home on the corner of Elm and Chestnut street, at eight o'clock Saturday night after a short illness, of pneumonia. Mr. Bishop during the past fourteen years, has been a resident of Bradford and his circle of acquaintance was very large and by his genial ways had won legions of friends, who were greatly shocked on learning of his sudden death. The deceased leaves a wife and mother who lives in Titusville and a brother in DuBois to mourn his demise.

Mrs. Nora Ralston wife of Mr. James Ralston died at the city hospital at an early hour on Sunday morning of a complication of diseases which baffled the skill of our best physicians. The deceased had been a great sufferer for a long time and was removed to the hospital a short time since for the purpose of having an operation performed, which it was hoped might prolong her life, but disease had made such inroads on her constitution that she was unable to rally from the operation. She was a daughter of W. C. Boswell and leaves a husband and two sisters to mourn her sad death.

It is not pleasant to comment on the findings of a coroner's jury. But in the inquest held in this city last Thursday night on the death of Willie Tauter, a victim of the squib explosion on the 24th ult. it was proven from what factory the scrap of tin which contained this deadly squib was taken and who the man was that deposited the refuse on the ground where was found the deadly compound. All of which would seem to go to make up a strong case as to where the responsibility rightfully belongs. Yet to read the findings of the jury it is discovered that the name of the guilty one is still unknown (?) Queer verdict that and no mistake.

The Memorial Day exercises held in this city notwithstanding the threatening weather were of a most beautiful and impressive nature. The rain interfered somewhat with the original programme, but the parade was a most creditable one, and was viewed by a vast throng of people. The oration by Rev. Dr. Huntington was one of that gentleman's best efforts. Miss Lillian Berkhart's recitation "Recollections of the War" was listened to with the closest attention, and the music was all that could be desired. The old veterans have every reason to congratulate themselves on the successful termination of the day's programme, and the fine appearance they made in the procession.

Residents of Harrisburg, who have to pass Walker's machine shop during noon hours enter many complaints as to the carelessness of the men connected with that establishment who monopolize the entire sidewalk in that vicinity for the purpose of playing ball. They pay no attention to pedestrians, who are entitled to the sidewalks, and as a result very narrow escapes from serious injury have come under my observation. If our police force are desirous of finding out where the ordinance against ball playing is not being complied with, I will cite them to this particular locality during [illegible]. It would seem that pedestrians ought to be exempted from being injured while passing along our streets by careless and heedless ball players, especially when we have laws against such things.

DERRICK CITY.

Mr. Cooper has started his normal class with a good attendance.

The evening of June 3d a splendid entertainment was given at the dime social in the M. E. church at Gilmor.

Our supervisor has the thanks of everybody for the job he has done in Derrick. He'll receive more thanks if he'll fix more spots.

Two select schools in our valley. Very educationally inclined people we are. Eight months of public schools and before they all close start private schools.

In way of sensation since my last, Lawrence Smith's horse struck a cart and Roland Hughes' buggy. Except a general smash up of both rigs no damage was done.

The farmers are busy improving the good weather and worrying for fear it will now be so dry as to parch everything. On their attempts to please everybody no wonder the weather clerks are in a muddle.

M. O. Campbell, wife and daughter were at Kane Friday and Saturday on a business trip. He challenges them all to show a nicer and more convenient school desk than the Vermont, which he represents in this and three other counties.

If you want some fine music engage the Derrick choir and if they do as well as they did at memorial you will be satisfied. This is not a travelling concern, but their motto is similar to that of an eloquent lecturer of an M. E. pulpit, "The gospel preached free but other things must be paid for."

PORT ALLEGANY.

George Keller visited the county seat on Monday last.

Mrs. Martin Venus is quite ill at her home in this village.

Miss Belle Bartle has so far recovered from her illness as to be about.

Miss Minnie Starkweather has been engaged as organist of the Baptist church.

The smiling face of the genial Walter Grubb was seen on our street Monday.

A. Lillibridge has put a stock of groceries in the Dolley store, on Mill street.

Jacob Barshoe is building a fine residence on Main street, near the M. E. church.

The I. O. O. T. have just finished a beautiful lodge room in the second story of the Dolley building.

Wesley Hooker, Esq., has built a handsome portico in front of his residence on Mill street, which adds greatly to its appearance.

Mr. Elihu Starkweather has raised and added to his dwelling house on the upper end of Mill street, and it now presents a tasty appearance.

A. T. Palmer of your place was driving one of his beautiful dapple grays about our streets one day last week and attracted considerable attention.

Goding Brothers have bark and lumber jobs all through the county and are doing an immense business. Their monthly pay roll amounts to from twelve to fifteen thousand dollars.

Jacob Seabring was tipped from a wagon near the tannery store, on Friday last and sustained a fracture of the collar bone. Dr. J. V. Otto reduced the fracture and the injured man is doing well.

Monday was "red letter day" in Port Allegany, and towards evening it seemed to be a day of "red noses" and black eyes—cause "Free beer." Well, such is life, and then it makes business so much better in town and puts more money into circulation brightens the prospects of the laboring man and—colors his nose also.

Bullis Brothers, of Olean have purchased a large tract of the timber lands skirting the river and extending to the head waters of Skinner creek and have a large force of men engaged in peeling. We hear that they intend peeling seven thousand cords of bark and the logs will also be cut and put in the coming fall and winter.

Memorial day was more generally observed in this place than ever before. All business places and most of the dwellings were handsomely decorated. In the forenoon a delegation of comrades of H. Metcalf Post G. A. R. visited Lewis Hill and Grimes cemetery and placed flowers and flags upon the graves of the departed comrades. It was intended to hold the memorial services proper in the village cemetery, but owing to the shower which began at 1:20 p. m., that project was abandoned and through the courtesy of the trustees of the Presbyterian church, that edifice was thrown open to the public and at 2 o'clock the house was well filled and the services performed by representatives the chosen comrades depositing their floral tributes at the base of a broken column provided by the W. R. C. The orator of the day S. W. Smith Esq. then addressed the meeting and his touching tributes to our heroes both dead and living met with a hearty response from all present. He was followed by Revs. Catterall, Edwards and Pasko each of whom spoke eloquently and fluently. A noticeable feature of the exercises was the singing which under the management of Prof. Elliott of Dunkirk, N. Y. was very fine indeed. At the close of the services the entire congregation followed the Post and W. R. C. to the cemetery where the graves of the sleeping comrades were covered with beautiful flowers. Too much praise can not be awarded to the W. R. C. for the very energetic part which they took in making a success of this day. The ladies served ice cream and refreshments in the Lillibridge block on Main street. The receipts were about $18.

CLERMONT.

Constable Weaver is attending court this week.

Mr. Z. Bayer one of our best young men spent Memorial Day in Smethport.

"Sour grapes" has no reference to school matters. It sounds too much like Boston slang.

Miss Kitty Butts, our efficient postmistress, spent Sunday with friends at the county seat.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson of Wilcox is in town. Mrs. Johnson is a sister to Charles Benson.

John Dalchanty, telegraph operator at Instanter is here for a day or so. Glad to see you John.

Mr. I. P. Howard and daughters attended the memorial services at Smethport on Friday last.

Messrs. Higgins & Craton of Ridgway, has the contract to extend C. H. Moore's railroad several miles.

Our young friend F. P. McCarty spent Sunday last at Mt. Jewett. So did Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Erlandson.

No I don't want any one to spend any money to get me a dictionary. I can use the one belonging to the school board.

We ought to have a resident physician here. Almost any day you can see two doctors from Smethport on our streets.

Lawrence Bayer started on the morning train Tuesday for a visit to several eastern cities. He will be absent a week or two.

Commodore Orrin Perry and daughter Frankie were here on Monday last. The Judge looks as young as ever. He attended the school meeting.

The many subscribers to the Miner in this place, was very much disappointed in not receiving their paper last week. Not one copy came to this office.

A good many of the old Clermont boys are seen here now, on account of the strike. I had the pleasure of shaking the hand of John Flynn, P. Birmingham and others to day.

A literary club has been organized in town. It is composed at present of one man and three ladies. The name of the club is "Guess" and their object is to write for the *Democrat*. I hereby extend the right-hand of fellowship.

Charles Benson, a highly respected young man had the misfortune to hurt his head while peeling bark, one day last week. A tree fell on him inflicting a terrible wound. At this writing there is not much hope, still we all sincerely trust that he will recover.

Miss Kitty Neugent, who taught school here last term, has returned to her home at Fall Brook. I am very much pleased to say that she has established for herself a reputation as a teacher second to none. She leaves a large circle of friends who [illegible].

The popular host of the Clermont Hotel, Mr. J. F. Keating is rejoicing over the arrival of a nice young girl. Mrs. Harrington, the nurse, says that the little stranger only weighed 12 pounds 3 days ago. Both mother and child are doing as well as can be expected. We extend congratulations.

I would just like to know the names of three citizens in Clermont that "rejoices over the fact that there is not a house in town licensed to sell liquor." I know and can give the names of two, but can not find the third one; would it not be better for the *Democrat* correspondent not to handle this subject; it may burn his fingers.

NORWICH.

Who got the lashing last Sunday.

John Kirkland has gone to Bradford.

D. D. Comes & Son started up their mill on Monday.

W. J. Colegrove and wife called on Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Denison on Monday last.

W. D. Gallup and family, of Smethport, visited D. G. and N. C. Gallup last Sunday.

W. E. Kimball, of Johnsonburg, visited his parents and friends here the first of last week.

Pury Hill and Al Lord have taken quite an extensive bark job of N. W. Heinemann on Brewer Run.

C. C. Gallup did not go to Instanter as he intended, but has gone to work for John Dodge. Mr. Gallup moved to the lumber camp this week.

Our enterprising merchant, C. A. Anderson, of Colegrove, is building an addition to his store, twenty by thirty feet. Mr. Anderson is not a very large man, but he requires a great deal of room.

KASSON.

Geo. Richards drove to Smethport on Monday.

Mrs. Philip Hafner drove to Gillmore Saturday.

D. Martin spent Friday with friends in Smethport.

Philip Hafner and wife drove to Smethport on Monday.

P. Hafner is renewing old acquaintances in Smethport this week.

Wm. Lawrie and family visited the Kinzua bridge Wednesday.

Leon Comes, late of Mt. Jewett, was calling on friends here this week.

Geo. Garlick has several Mt. Jewett teams hauling his bark to market.

Jake Hoffman, of Smethport, was circulating among friends here Sunday.

The school up Long brook, taught by Miss Lena Pattison, closed on Wednesday.

Our census enumerator H. W. Burlingame, started on his weary pilgrimage on Monday.

Quite a number of Colevilleites passed through this place on Sunday, enroute to the Kinzua Bridge.

Quite a number of people from this place attended Memorial Day services in Smethport, Friday.

Mrs. Bernard Amend & Mrs. Casper Hafner, of Clermont, were visiting friends here on Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lucy Stark, who has been staying with friends here the past month, has returned to her home in Coleville.

Miss Nellie Hafner, who has been spending the past month with her grandparents, in Bells Camp, returned home on Sunday last.

Kasson's champion fisherman, W. R. Dutcher, caught a trout on Saturday that tipped the scales at twenty ounces. Who will beat this?

Farmers who have had a woebegone and careworn expression for months are beginning to smile once more. Cause a little—just a little—sunshine.

On Thursday a span of horses driven by Andie Johnson, and attached to a heavy load of bark, being left alone a moment, became frightened and ran away on the dugroad above the old Fraley mill, and being under great headway by the time they reached the bridge they were unable to make the turn and consequently went completely over the end of the bridge, horses, wagons and bark all landing in deep water some twenty feet below. Strange to say no great damage was done.

ELDRED.

Mrs. Avery of Bradford, is visiting at A. D. Cornell's.

Miss Anna Brown is spending a few days with friends in town.

Gretta Kinney of Port Allegany, was the guest of Mae Cotter this week.

Mr. George Peters has been putting a new roof on his house and making other improvements.

Miss Angie Dunhaver is conducting a kindergarten school in room No. 1 at the school building.

About twenty-five children were confirmed at St. Raphael's church this place, last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. E. C. Wolcott and Mrs. H. K. Kauffman visited Richburg friends the early part of the week.

Miss Maude Baldwin who has been teaching music in the school here for the past year, returned to her home in Crawford county Saturday.

The first nine went to Emporium Tuesday and were defeated by a score of eight to five. It was a good game and the boys were well pleased with the treatment they received at the hands of the Emporium gentlemen. The return game will be played here soon and no doubt it will be an interesting one.

School closed here Wednesday last and the entertainment given by the pupils of Prof. George's room at the opera house in the evening was a success throughout. The entertainment was one of the best ever given here and showed a marked improvement in the advancement of our school. About $30 was added to the school fund.

Quite a ripple of excitement was caused here Monday forenoon while a fakir was trying to sell five dollar bills and cakes of soap for two dollars. A bark peeler, just down from the woods, who had been imbibing quite freely, on opening his package and finding a thing instead of the five dollar bill was so enraged that he proceeded to kick down the fakir's stand whereupon trouble ensued which called out our worthy constable who required considerable assistance to get the unruly gentleman to the lockup.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

—Go to M. Rosenfield's for clothes.

—Fishing tackle at J. B. Larraway's barber shop, Main street Smethport.

—Cash paid for wool at A. Reilly's furniture and carpet store, Main street.

—Carpets in exchange for wool at the Furniture and Carpet Store.

—A big line of clothing for men and boys at M. Rosenfield's Main street.

—Steady employment on salary is offered in another column by F. C. Pierson & Co. Waterloo, N. Y.

—The handsomest wall paper ever brought to Smethport can be seen at Specht & Sasse's Furniture rooms.

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—J. P. Hoffman, photo-artist Union street near Main. Ground floor gallery, north light. First-class work at reasonable prices. Copying and enlarging in all styles.

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—The State Normal School at Clarion, Pa., has organized a Business Department, similar to the best Commercial Colleges.

—Go to J. G. Hall of Port Allegany, Pa. for all kinds of flooring, ceiling, wainscoting, siding, wood turning, mouldings, etc. Pike lever handles a specialty. 3tf

—A good many pictures have been sent to Chicago and other places to be copied *free*, but in order to get the crayon copy free you must buy a frame costing with express charge, etc., from $9.50 to $14.50. Now you can get the same thing guaranteed as good in every respect at J. P. Hoffman's, Union street gallery, Smethport, Pa. A word to the wise, etc.

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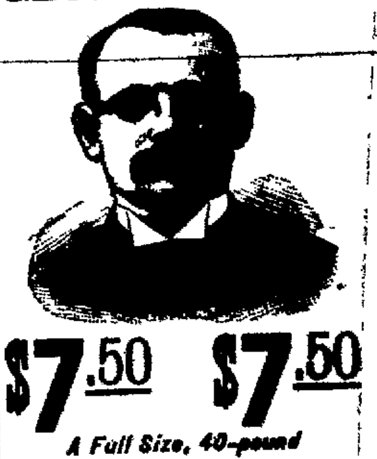

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Katie Tempest, Soubrette.

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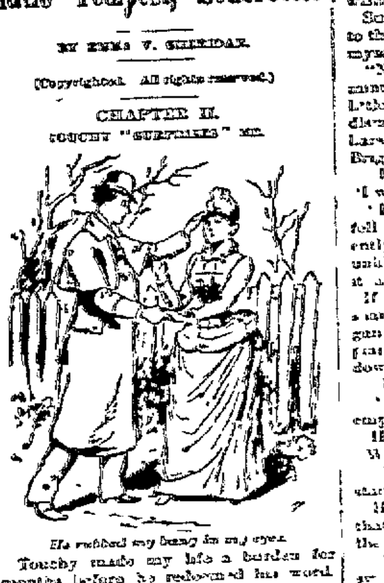
CHAPTER II.

TOUCHY "SURPRISES" ME.



He rubbed my bang in my eyes.

Touchy made my life a burden for months before he redeemed his word. At last, after a week of after date devotion and mulishness, he hauled me out for a walk. As we reached the country he became festive, and sang "In spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of l—l—love—a!"

Said I, stupidly "Spring isn't till next month."

Touchy returned beamingly: "I'm not going to wait till next month. I'm going to tell you now."

His eyes were very shiny, and he looked quite serious. A cold chill went down my back. I felt that something awful was going to happen.

"You are a strange girl," said Touchy, as if beginning a long speech. "You are young. So am I. But we'll get over that. You are frivolous, but I can cure that. As it is, I haven't enough control of you. I have made up my mind that I must secure at once the whole management of you."

I thought I saw a way out and I asked quickly "Do you want—to—[illegible] me Touchy?"

He said he hadn't thought of it, but, indulgently, that he would see next year. Then he jerked his head up, and was going to kiss me. I fell in a limp mass away from him and against the fence whereat he said severely "Come Kate, don't be foolish. Having just asked you to marry me, I ought to have some rights."

I declared that he hadn't and that I wouldn't stand it.

"Never having done it before," said he with dignity, "I was perhaps not clear but I did the best I could Miss Tempest and I certainly ought to kiss you."

"Oh, Touchy!" wailed I beginning to snivel, "what an awful thing."

"Not when you're used to it" he returned serenely again preparing to kiss me.

His serene confidence enraged me. I stamped my foot crying how did he know I wanted to marry him.

"Because" said he in a blood curdling way, "you have encouraged me."

He said 'encouraged' with ten horse power of emphasis and conviction. I became panic stricken.

"No! no!" I cried "I have not and never meant to. Oh dear! and oh dear!"

Touchy seemed gradually to catch the idea.

"Do I understand, Miss Tempest," said he, in an awe stricken tone, "that you do not love me?"

"Not the least in the world!" I cried "and please don't call me Miss Tempest. I'm awfully fond of you Touchy but I'd rather die than marry you. Don't be angry, but you'd make an awful husband you know, Touchy."

He contradicted this indignantly, and launched out into a lecture against barefaced coquetry and impudence which I with tearful vehemence contested. Half way home I ventured in a miserable choked voice "Please Touchy be friends and forgive me."

"Never!" he roared, "never! You have blighted my life, cut short my career and led me on to destroy me. I shall drown myself, and it will be your fault, Miss Tempest."

"No indeed, you won't," I urged anxiously, remembering Bennie Shue, "you'll get over it, really."

But he said he wouldn't, except in a watery grave, and at my door extended his hand, saying "Farewell forever."

I reminded him of the theatre but he shook his head solemnly and made a motion with his arms as of swimming, whereat I broke down crying. He at once put his arms close about me, and asked me in a voice dripping with tenderness "Katie, don't you love me some?"

My face was smothered against his coat, but I managed to shake my head violently. As soon as he felt it he put me at arms' length from him so suddenly that my head nearly fell off. After a perplexed pause he beamed

"I asked you too quick" he said, "that's it," and he rubbed my bang in my eyes, told me not to fret and departed whistling cheerfully.

From that day I was waylaid at all times and places, and asked if I hadn't changed my mind, or he would stand on corners and intimidate me by making that swimming motion. Often, before everyone, he would break into homilies against my sex, denouncing us all as flirts. Finally, to crown all, he got a cough. I used to take his breakfast up to him, explaining each time that only my regard for a sick human being made me do it and getting egg shells thrown at me. Then he assured me, coughing frightfully, that he had consumption, and that excitement made him spit blood. Right on top of that he swore if I didn't change my mind he would spit a quart of blood then and there. I bolted down the hallway calling for a doctor. Once he drew a dreadful picture of my despairing regret if he should die and I had never kissed him. I felt so sorry that a [illegible] bed and kissed him solemnly on the forehead. "Hang that," was all the thanks I got, "what good is that to a fellow?" Afterwards, however, he quoted the kiss as a clear case of leading him on to destroy him.

I told much of this to Mr Ned, storming, when he laughed, that above all things I hated love and any one who loved me.

"Suppose I should?" he asked. "You're so fascinating."

I ignored the sarcasm and said with dignity "You wouldn't be so wicked. You're married."

"Yes," said he.

CHAPTER III.

LOVERS AND FRIENDS.

It was a relief to reach Boston and my old home at my aunt's. I had not been there for years. The boys had grown to men, and they were all agreeable to me without tormenting me after the manner of Touchy. I anticipated two weeks of peace and happiness. There was hardly time for them all. Bright Hale had grown rich, and had goodness knows how many turnouts, and a yacht besides. Ernest Marvel, the boy I cared best for at school, was now tall and handsome. He was a member of clubs, had concert tickets and art tickets, and there was no moment of my day for which he had not some plan. Then Harry Blake owned a big store, and so on, and so on. My head kept buzzing all the time.

Bright saw the most of me. He had a breezy way of monopolizing one, and besides he was just starting on a business trip to California. The last Friday of my stay he went away. He shook hands, kissed my cheek, airily reminded me that I was his best girl forever, and that I might use his carriage as often as I wished.

Sunday Ernest called. I rushed down to the parlor complaining that I thought myself forgotten.

"No, I couldn't forget you, even a minute," Ernest said soberly. A queer little chill went down my back, but I dismissed it. "I thought," he went on, harshly, "you would be in mourning for Bright."

"He is not dead," I returned stupidly. "I will see him again."

"I suppose so," Ernest answered, and fell into heavy silence which he presently broke by a flow of light talk quite unlike his usual way. I complained of it and since he didn't mend, I cried

"If you can't talk [illegible] yourself you [illegible]." [illegible] his walk up and down [illegible].

[illegible]

"Aren't you rather imperative and emphatic?" questioned I.

He seemed sorry and asked meekly: "When to day?"

"When you like—this minute for instance."

He seemed hurt and explained gravely that he meant to ask when did I leave the city.

"To-morrow morning, 9 o'clock," I answered.

He resumed his walk. I moved restlessly and sighed heavily and made my discontent as evident as possible, till he said "I know it, but I have so much to tell you and the time is short. I am afraid to say it at all, but I cannot let you go without speaking. That's it! You're going! It tears my heart out and I can't [illegible] of the pain."

I got a dreadfully solemn feeling from some inspiration right from my heart. I walked over to him and laying my hand as near his shoulder as I could reach I said in a very gentle voice for me, "Please dear Ernest we have known each other all our lives—ever since I was a little girl I have been fond of you and we shall be sorry to say good by but it will not tear my heart [illegible] yours either." He moved as if to speak but I hurried on. "You must not think me changed because for a few years you have not seen me. You and I are friends just as we were at school. We can never be any more or any less. It's a lovely thing to be friends so, and it would be cruel if I should or you should do anything to spoil or change it,—wouldn't it Ernest? No don't answer. No one should think twice of me Ernest. I am just as I used to be—selfish and thoughtless and frivolous. I haven't a bit of heart dear Ernest—indeed I haven't, except so much as can ache with regret at any one for whom it has come to pain through me. Please understand I must and don't let's talk of this any more—please please for my sake."

I had been hurried on by some frightened impulse. It seemed to me that it would be the saddest thing in the world if Ernest should change. The tears were in my eyes at the thought. His face softened and glistened as if from an inward light. He clasped his hands over mine that was pushed against him, and bending kissed my fingers. Then he answered

"I know Katie you are warning me. Out of your gentle heart you are trying to save me the pain of the mistake which for all that I must make. It is too late, and I must go through with it, mistake or not. Do you think I could see you as I have and my heart not grow about you till only you are there and will you tell me there is no hope for me? I am a big fellow and I don't know much about how one should ask such things, but it is humbler [illegible] is it not at I put my knee to the ground I—so—and lifting my arms only to touch your hands tell you that I love you—I love you—I love you."

He turned his face with a sort of sob against my dress. I slid a limp miserable wreck into the chair behind me and began stupidly rubbing his head while I said more or less that I was so sorry that for the world I would not give him pain but that I knew I should be a wicked girl if I did not honestly tell him the truth. He stood unsteadily asking "And that is?"

"That I do not love you the least in the world more than I always have," I made answer, crying softly, "not—oh forgive me Ernest—I know I never shall feel for you as some day I expect to feel for the man I shall marry."

He took me close in his arms kissing my forehead and cheek and eyelids. His lips were cold. Then he put me from him saying vaguely "Good by!"

"No no Ernest," I cried "you must not go that way. You must care for me as you always have—as I care for you, and always will. Our dear friendship must not be broken up. I cannot spare it. I will not. You will forget that you ever felt like this."

"Do you think so?" he asked—and his eyes had such a look of somber pain in them that I felt as if I were murdering him. All I could do was to turn angry.

"Have I no rights?" I cried, "how can you take from me a friendship I have never forfeited? The sincerest proof of which I have just given. I never wanted you to love me, and I won't have it. I won't give you up. I hate people to love me. Why could you not be nice, and fond of me as Bright Hale is, and stay so?"

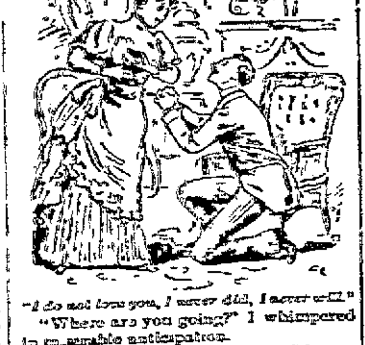
At the name his face darkened. "Had Bright Hale asked your answer it would have been different," he said doggedly.

I gave a small scream of rage. "Oh! would it? Please let me tell you Bright would not do such a thing. He is too kind to repay a girl for a friendship, which has lasted nearly as long as she has, by falling in love with her and then throwing her off as you propose doing. Bright Hale would not do so cruel, unkind, unnecessary, dreadful, disastrous a thing as loving me. He"——

A discreet rustle at the door and Mary entered. "Mr Hale, Miss"—she said, and in walked Bright. Ernest broke into laughing.

"You see?" he said, and then to Bright: "[illegible]."

I lifted my hands in protest against his bitter implication, and with a hurried greeting to Bright, followed Ernest to the door, saying "Please forget it all and be friends." He drew a long breath that made me feel his heart was breaking and said hoarsely, his arms straining about me: "Let me say once more that I love you. I shall have no right soon."



"I do not love you, I never did, I never will."

"Where are you going?" I whimpered in miserable anticipation.

"To the back bay, I suppose," he returned harshly. "Never mind me—go to Bright. Good-by," and he was gone.

I stood a moment in the hallway. Was ever a girl so unlucky as I, or anything so wearing or worrying as a man's love? Then I hurried into the parlor.

"I thought you half way to California," I said, cracking out my hands.

"I was half way to Chicago," said Bright and then paused. His eyes were gleaming, his voice quite new. I shivered a little and stood staring anxiously at him. "I was half way to Chicago when I found I had something to say to you, and"——

I broke wildly to the other end of the room behind a chair saying "Don't you do it! I won't have it!"

"You've got to, Katie," he returned steadily. "I should have spoken before I went away but at least I have come back all this way to say it."

"You shall not," I interrupted again. "I won't hear it. Haven't I been holding you up as a shining example and swearing by you? What have I done to deserve all this now?" and I stamped one foot after the other.

"You've been yourself—that's all Kate, the sweetest frankest most winsome self that ever breathed. You have looked at me from two of the clearest blue eyes that ever won a man's heart. You have spoken from two lips that are sweeter to look at than any lips in the world—you"

"I have not! I've got two eyes and a nose and a mouth like any other girl. I'm like any one else and I don't deserve to be treated so. Go home before you say any more. I won't hear it!"

"Kate darling you must hear it. A man takes no such trip as I have to be cut and without hearing. I love you as no one else can. I am rich—you shall have everything you want"——

"I don't want it," I put in breathlessly.

"Then you needn't have it," he replied without a pause and going on as if I had not spoken. "I love you from the tip of the curl on your forehead, through every pink finger to the sole of your tiny shoes, and I will be answered."

"My shoes are not tiny. I wear sevens—sevens do you hear? and I haven't heard a word you've said. I told you I wouldn't."

Then, said he somehow setting aside the chair and holding me fast in his arms "I will say it again. I love you from the top of your head to the sole of your foot, of both feet, and I want the right to go on loving you more and more." I was being kissed on hair and eyes and lips. I struggled free. "To think that you, of all persons should so ill use me."

"No, no," urged Bright anxiously, "but think a man is only a man and you give me no answer. I can be humble if you like" and he was at my feet.

"Oh get up! get up! I won't stand it" and I thought of Ernest. "I have been answering ever since you came. I do not love you. I never did, I never will—never—oh dear!"

"Be careful Kate. Don't speak too harshly. A man's heart and life are of some value. I deserve some consideration."

"Oh Bright," I begged beginning to cry "do not love me. You should see I have no heart. I care only for friends. Soon as a man loves me I hate him. Be my friend Bright. I want one so. I am as nice as I ever was for a friend. I have not changed."

"But I have changed," said he locking his hands behind him. "I can no longer see you but that my heart leaps to hold you in my arms forever. Yes I have changed. The light of your eyes puts me on fire. The touch of your hand will make me forget even your own command! Tell me to stay and I will be gentle and never forget till I have won you but ask me to stay as your friend and I"——

"Oh I know," I interrupted "you will shoot yourself, won't you? Because I offer you all I have for you and stick to the truth that I have no more I am to be hollered at like that and off you march to the devil. Aren't you ashamed? I never asked you to love me did I? Why should I get all the blame of it? Why must we always be bullied by the men who pretend to care for us?"

His face turned gray. "You dare not speak so to me," he whispered, hoarsely, his head sinking between his shoulders as he looked at me and his eyes gleaming savagely.

I was so frightened that I could make no move at all when he seemed ready to crush the life from me and could not take my eyes from his, angry and cruel as they were. He must have seen how afraid I was, for of a sudden he loosed me calling himself in a miserable, shamed way a brute.

I would not let him turn away, and I said in an eager tumble of words "Please Bright, look at me. You can see I don't love you can you not? First, make sure of that. Then be kind and generous and good and don't you throw me off. I cannot lose all my friends."

"Ernest too," said he, the thought just coming to him.

Then he lifted my face and looked at me. I was not afraid but when I could not see any more for tears I asked again "Be friends, Bright."

He drew a long breath and said: "You're a brave little girl, Kate." After a moment he went on "So every one is falling in love with you and bothering your life out? Well at least I won't do that. I'll—I'll—be friends, Kate."

The words came slowly, and his lips although he smiled were so white that I hastened to show how much I appreciated his goodness.

"Thank you—thank you," I said, adding earnestly "I love you more for that than ever I did before."

His face twitched and he said, smiling again "It would be kind to choose your words better, Kate." Then after a long stare at me, he said with complete return to his old manner "Good by, Kate. I must get away from you now, but don't think any more of all this. Only remember, no matter how many lovers you have you've one friend."

"Thank you, Bright," I said, again laughing aloud from happiness.

He made a face half comic and half serious. "Don't laugh. I'm going to shoot myself, may be. That's what they all do, isn't it?"

"Or drown themselves," I observed meekly, "or—go to the devil."

"All right. I'll take my choice when I get out. Good by, Kate."

I stood on a hassock, reached my arms about his neck, and kissed him on both cheeks, saying gratefully: "You have been awfully kind to me, Bright, and indeed I'm very thankful."

"Well, you ought to be," he assented grimly. Wringing my hand he said another cheery "Good by, remember your friend," and was gone.

I sighed a big sigh. Ah! how much nicer friendship was than anything else I thought gratefully.

(Continued next week.)

Invitation to the Tenth International Medical Congress.

In accordance with the decision of the Ninth Congress, at Washington, the Tenth International Medical Congress will be held at Berlin from the 4th to the 9th of August, 1890. We have the honor to inform you that we are now ready to sell you and your friends cheap excursion tickets at special rates for physicians, by the Hamburgh-American Packet Co.'s Express service. We will sell you first-class tickets from New York to Berlin and back for only $90. Just think of it! This is your golden opportunity to go to Europe. For further information address,

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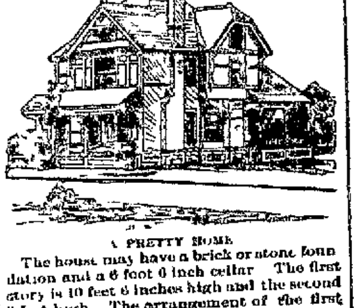
A PRETTY HOME.

Plans for a Handsome and Convenient Two Story Dwelling.

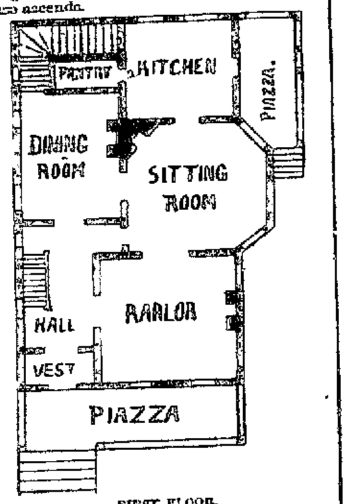
Among the many admirable plans contained in the National Building Plan association's "Artistic Homes" is this one for a two story frame dwelling house.

The elevation shows that it is of handsome exterior design, the wall surfaces well broken with windows and angles and the arrangement of the two piazzas is particularly happy.



A PRETTY HOME.

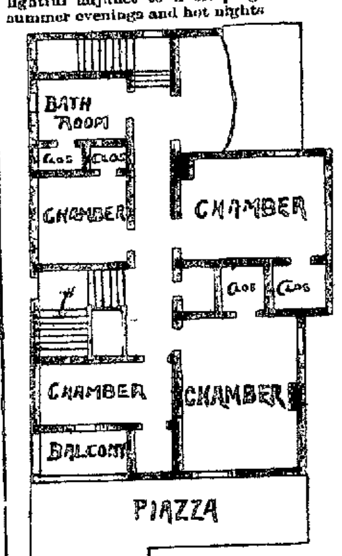
The house may have a brick or stone foundation and a 6 foot 6 inch cellar. The first story is 10 feet 6 inches high and the second 9 feet high. The arrangement of the first story is convenient and artistic. The large parlor which is 15 feet wide by 16 feet long, is connected with the sitting room by a broad door which would make them both easily available in case of large gatherings. The sitting room is little smaller than the parlor, as it measures 14 by 16, and its connection with the 12 by 16 dining room adds the latter to the suite which might be pressed into service. From all three rooms doors open into a hall 16 feet long and 8 feet wide, from which the staircase ascends.



FIRST FLOOR.

In each one of the four principal lower rooms—parlor sitting room dining room and hall—are fireplaces which add much to comfort and coziness of appearance on chilly autumn evenings or during the dampness and frost of the early spring. But the "crowning glory" of this house from a housewife's standpoint is the kitchen. It is large enough (11x12) and is so arranged that there is plenty of room for three tables. The range and sink are in good locations and the whole is well lighted by two windows, and, if desired, a glass door opening on the back porch. The pantry which measures 4 feet 6 inches by 8 is at the left of the range and easy of access to the cook or serving maid.

The second story is no less conveniently arranged. It contains four chambers six closets, bath room and hall all of good size and well lighted. One of the chambers has a door leading to a tiny balcony—a delightful adjunct to a sleeping room on summer evenings and hot nights.



SECOND FLOOR.

Going still higher is a commodious garret in which a servant's room might easily be fitted up.

The estimated cost of building is $2,500.

A Peculiar Ground Plan.

A dwelling house was recently built near Boston in which no right angle occurs in the walls of any of the first floor rooms. There are seven of them in all—drawing room, parlor, library, sitting room, dining room, reception room and smoking room—and each one of them opens into the circular hall which occupies the center of the house. From this hall the stairway rises, one of its angles forming a projection of nearly four feet on the outer wall. The kitchen, store rooms etc., are all in the third story, so that by no possibility the odors of cooking shall be smelled down stairs, and are reached by a covered stairway rising outside of the main building.

Some Charming Screens.

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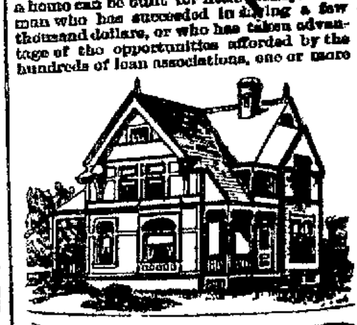

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of which are situated in almost every town of any size in the United States, can call on an architect, and, by an expenditure of thirty or forty dollars, procure plans for an attractive or convenient home which may be built for any amount between one thousand dollars and five times as much.

Take, for instance, the house of which plans are given below. Its estimated cost is only $2,000 yet it is large enough and handsome enough to satisfy the average man in middle circumstances with a family of medium size.

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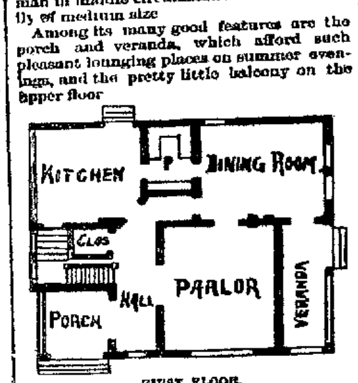
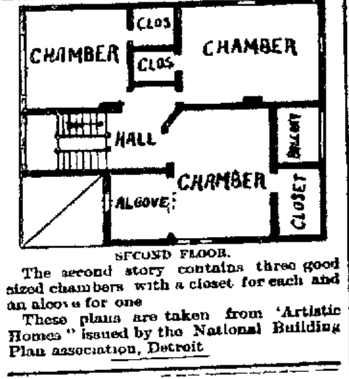


FIRST FLOOR.

The house is two stories high, built on a brick or stone foundation and with a 6 foot 6 inch cellar. The first story is 10 feet high, the second, 8 feet 6 inches.

From the porch opens a wide door into the hall which is 6 feet wide by 16 feet long. The parlor, the door of which is almost opposite the outer entrance, measures 13x14 and contains a fireplace. It connects with a dining room 14 feet long and 12 feet 6 inches wide which has the advantage of being lighted from the end. Between the dining room and the kitchen is a 5x8 pantry which connects with both and through which the servant may pass on her way to and from the table. The kitchen itself is 12 feet 6 inches long by 12 feet wide, and from it run the back stairs.



SECOND FLOOR.

The second story contains three good sized chambers with a closet for each and an alcove for one.

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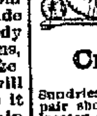

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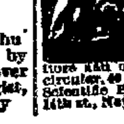

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10.48	8.17	1.00	Nelsons	8.17	1.30	5.17
10.38	8.08	12.52	Knowlton	8.26	1.38	5.25
10.21	8.03	12.45	Roulette	8.31	1.46	5.34
10.20	7.49	12.40	Pomeroy Bridge	8.36	1.51	5.39
10.16	7.51	12.31	Burtville	8.45	2.00	5.48
10.05	7.45	12.22	Coleman	8.52	2.10	5.57
10.00	7.40	12.17	Port Allegany	9.00	2.18	6.15

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